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Tube experts probe stairs mechanism

Evidence of minor fire that led to wall of flame

By Tony Dawe and Stewart Tendler

Overheated bearings in an escalator at King's Cross might have caused the worst fire in the history of the London Underground which killed 30 people, investigators believe.

They are working on the theory that a small fire smouldered inside the mechanism of an escalator, installed 48 years ago to serve the Piccadilly Line, before igniting into a wall of flame.

The theory is supported by evidence yesterday from a commuter and a police officer recovering from burns.

The commuter, Mr John Hickson, said he saw smoke on the escalator more than an hour before the fire erupted. PC Stephen Hanson, a London Transport policeman, described the "shock wave of fire" which knocked him off his feet.

Mr Hickson, of Peckham, south London, said he had reported the smoke to Underground staff. His warning appears to have gone unheeded, adding to the embarrassment of London Regional Transport, which has been widely criticized since the tragedy on Wednesday night for its safety record in running the Underground.

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Staff at King's Cross added to the criticism yesterday by saying they had little safety training. One railman told *The Times* he had received advice for "a minute or so" during his 10 years at the station.

Dozens of bouquets were left at King's Cross yesterday in tribute to the dead, including one from Red Watch at Soho fire station where Station Officer Colin Townsley, who died in the blaze, was based.

All but six of the 30 victims were identified by pathologists yesterday. Three more remain critical in hospital.

The investigation is focused on part of the mechanism of No 4 escalator. Det Supt Anthony Clift, heading the British Transport police inquiry, said that it was possible the fire could have built up in the escalator and smouldered slowly before erupting.

He said witnesses had told police they believed the fire started in that area. Mr Clift said: "The evidence at the moment does not suggest a full-blown fire raging when it was first seen".

Mr Clift pointed up to the blackened ceiling and the smashed ticket machines. "A horrific blaze has quite suddenly come on people here", he said.

He added that police had interviewed a booking office clerk and they are to see Mr Hickson about his claim that he tried to raise the alarm with a clerk after seeing the beginnings of a fire an hour before the fully-fledged blaze.

The two likely causes of a smouldering fire were outlined yesterday by Mr Adair Lewis, chief technical officer of the Fire Protection Association, who has visited the scene.

He said either friction, caused by worn bearings or other bits of machinery rubbing together, or a fault in the electrical wiring in the escalator could be to blame. One investigator at the scene said last night an electrical fault was unlikely.

Mr Lewis added that a fire smouldering in a confined space would heat all the combustible materials around it, like wood, grease and plastic, and create what is known to the experts as "pyrolysis products".

A spark, such as a cigarette end, could ignite them, but on their own they will eventually reach a stage where they ignite automatically.

The result is a "flashover", a searing wall of flame which is exactly what hit so many of the victims of the disaster. The same effect occurs often in house fires where smouldering furnishings suddenly burst into a fierce ball of flame.

PC Hanson, recovering from burns in University College Hospital, said yesterday: "One minute we seemed to have the situation under control. Next minute it was pitch black and there was fire all round us."

The fire then spread upwards and outwards with smoke and gases rising to the ceiling of the Piccadilly Line booking office. The smoke and gases then descended filling all the available space and forcing air and visibility to disappear.

The likely cause of the disaster led to questions last night about the maintenance of the escalator but a spokesman for LRT insisted that they were cleaned every week.

The investigators, including police forensic scientists, fire brigade experts and consultants employed by LRT and the escalator manufacturers, will continue to work throughout the weekend.

Their task has been hampered because the nearest inspection panel to the machinery is so small that only one man can climb in at a time, making teamwork impossible.

Mr Lewis, a former head of Scotland Yard's fire forensic laboratory, said the way the fire developed and the extent of the damage rule out several causes which have been the subject of speculation.

The first suggestion made on Wednesday night was that the fire had started in the machine room controlling the

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Education reform Bill published

By John Clare
Education Correspondent

The Education Reform Bill, detailing the Government's radical proposals for overhauling the education system in England and Wales, was published yesterday to a chorus of disapproval from teachers, parents' groups and most local education authorities.

Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for Education and Science, described the Bill as a "charter for better education for all our children".

He shrugged off the opposition, saying it was understandable that monopolists should object to the ending of their monopoly. He said that the majority of parents, whose voice was unheard, supported the Bill's aim of levering up educational standards.

Mr Jack Straw, Labour's education spokesman, said the Bill would lead not to greater freedom but to increased centralization.

In a concession to the churches, the Bill imposes an obligation on head teachers and governing bodies to ensure that every school teaches religious education.

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Fond reunion as kidnap girl is freed

Shots as police raid flat

From Harry Debelius
Estepona, Costa del Sol

The six-year-old daughter of the Korean pop opera singer, Princess Kimera, and a former Soho club owner was safe at her parents' Spanish villa last night after a special police squad stormed the holiday apartment where she was being held by kidnappers.

Three suspected kidnappers were taken by surprise when Special Operations Unit officers used explosives to blow open the door of their hideaway in a dawn raid codenamed "Operation Baby".

Melodie Nakachian was freed after a gunbattle with her captors. One of the kidnappers was shot in the throat when trying to use the girl as a shield.

After an emotional reunion with her parents and a hospital check-up, the little girl was declared "weak but well" and taken home.

During her 12 days as hostage, her captors threatened to starve her and to cease giving her liquids if a ransom, at one time as high $13 million (about £8 million) was not paid. She was snatched from a car taking her to school.

The break came after a woman saw a man who was

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Princess Kimera's joy contrasting with the strain shown by her daughter, Melodie, at their reunion yesterday. Melodie, aged six, was held by kidnappers for 12 days.

Reagan signs $23bn obligatory cuts and supports compromise

From Bailey Morris, Washington

President Reagan said yesterday, after four weeks of inconclusive budget talks, that before midnight he would sign an executive order for $23 billion in mandatory spending cuts legally required to reduce the $179 billion US deficit.

But he also indicated that he would accept the two-year compromise agreement of $75 billion in cuts, presented to him last night after eleventh-hour negotiations between White House and Congress officials.

Weary negotiators had tried to postpone the obligatory cuts required by the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings balanced budget law in a last-ditch attempt to convince the world that they could overcome their political differences.

But the White House said earlier it would not accept any plan to delay the automatic cuts to give negotiators more time to resolve their sharp disagreements over tax increases and military spending.

Mr Howard Baker, the White House Chief of Staff, said that an extension of the midnight deadline would only prolong the misery.

"We think $23 billion in actual cuts is better than a promise of $30 billion" a White House official said.

As federal agencies began to prepare for the automatic reductions, the negotiators had convened a final meeting to agree the language of the

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$75 billion compromise Mr Reagan was expected to approve at a late-afternoon White House session with the congressional leaders.

The immediate effect of the mandatory Gramm-Rudman-Hollings cut would be small. Only Medicare payments to elderly patients – which would be cut by 2.3 per cent – and federal dairy support payments (reduced by 8.5 per cent) would be affected.

But if negotiators had failed to agree on the compromise within 10 legislative days of the signing of the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings order, the effects would have been far-reaching, affecting everything from Aids research to air traffic control.

Under the automatic cuts, all federal programmes apart from social security and certain exempted poverty programmes would be reduced. The military budget would be cut by 10.5 per cent, resulting in the largest one-year cut since 1945. All other agencies and departments would be cut by 8.5 per cent.

The compromise agreement, which officials hope to pass early next month and enact into law by December 18, will be less severe. Many political leaders were even saying yesterday that it was a "bogus plan" which would bring real reductions nearer $25 billion than the $30 billion proposed.

It was thought to include $9 billion in new taxes, a smaller than expected defence cut of almost $5 billion and domestic spending cuts of $6.6 billion, as well as other savings and new revenues from federal user fees and assets sales.

Party leaders were not sure yesterday whether they would have the votes in both Houses to pass the compromise. Senator Robert Dole, a leading Republican presidential candidate, said that Mr Reagan would have to work hard to convince Republicans to vote for it.

There is strong uncertainty, despite last-minute arm-twisting and public rhetoric, that the compromise would survive the detailed work required of powerful congres-sional tax and appropriations committees.

As an indication of the uncertainty, a senior White House official said privately that if President Reagan did not like the $9 billion tax plan he could always veto the individual Bill.

BA offer puts B-Cal on spot

By Harvey Elliott
Air Correspondent

British Airways yesterday made a pre-emptive strike for British Caledonian with an offer worth £147 million.

The offer, designed largely to flush out any other potential bidders, was £90 million less than the original figure put on the company four months ago and left B-Cal facing a major dilemna.

The Gatwick-based airline has a month in which to decide whether to accept the BA bid and last night there were clear divisions of opinion emerging among the nine-man board of directors.

Those in favour are ready to argue at a special board meeting within the next few days that the new offer is no different from that made in July and could even be regarded as better.

But others are convinced that it falls well short of the £200 million minimum price put on the group by its chairman, Sir Adam Thomson, last week, and that proposals still being prepared in detail by the Scandinavian airline SAS could enable the airline to continue as a rival to BA.

They were also surprised by a formal appeal to the European Commission by the British Midland chairman, Mr Michael Bishop, alleging that the proposed take-over would be against the competition rules of the Treaty of Rome.

His move is certain to make the B-Cal board delay any outright acceptance of the BA offer at least until it has been decided whether a full-scale European hearing will have to be held, until the formal offer documents have been delivered by BA, and until the precise details of the SAS counter-bid have been studied.

Air Europe also threw a spanner in the works last night by formally announcing that it was applying for a full judicial review of the way the Monopolies and Mergers Comm–ission reached its verdict.

The independent airline said through its lawyers that it was seeking an undertaking from British Airways to halt all its planned moves to take

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Property Guide

Homes with shared swimming pools and other luxury facilities; new apartments in southern Spain; answers to tricky questions of property; and the splendour of a £1 million place in the country – these are just some of the subjects featured in today's 16-page Times Property Guide.

Tube staff claim they had no safety drill

By David Sapsted

Staff at King's Cross station, London, said yesterday they had not been given formal safety training, and the question of evacuation if a fire broke out had never been raised or any practice done.

One railman said his only experience of safety drills during his 10 years at London's busiest Tube station had been "a minute or so" of instruction on how to use a fire extinguisher.

Their claims flew in the face of a statement by London Regional Transport that "all staff go through 2½ days' emergency training".

Mr Alan Norman, the National Union of Railwaymen's Underground divisional officer, said staff received only four hours of instruction on fire-fighting. But all the King's Cross staff interviewed by *The Times* said they had not received any such training.

● Staff reacted angrily yesterday to suggestions that passengers had been directed the wrong way. One railman said that a colleague, Mr Jock Wood, directed people to go out via another exit. "One man pushed past Jock and said he had a train to catch.

● Commuters at King's Cross were warned about the risks of being trapped in an Underground fire in 10,000 Aslef leaflets handed out at the station, just 24 hours before the disaster, as part of the drivers' union campaign against single-operator trains.

Elton John sells up at Watford

Elton John, the rock star, last night sold Watford Football Club, of which he is chairman, to Mr Robert Maxwell's British Printing and Communications Corporation for an estimated £2 million.

John, who has been involved with Watford for 10 years, during which time they have climbed from the fourth division to the first, has been upset by criticism of Watford's indifferent performances this season under their new manager Dave Bassett, and continuing allegations about his private life.

The Maxwell family now have control of three league clubs – Derby County, of which the chairman is Robert Maxwell, Oxford United, whose chairman is Kevin Maxwell, and now Watford.

Graham Kelly, secretary of the Football League, last night paid tribute to Elton John's contribution to the sport. It is thought that John may now move to the United States.

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Hopes for missile pact remain high

By Christopher Walker in Moscow, Christopher Thomas in Washington, and Andrew McEwen in London

Confidence remained high last night that President Reagan and Mr Mikhail Gorbachov will sign the proposed treaty on intermediate nuclear forces at their summit next month, despite suggestions of a hitch.

Well-informed sources said that the last-minute decision to call a meeting in Geneva on Monday between Mr George Shultz, the US Secretary of State, and Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, the Soviet Foreign Minister, did not mean that the treaty banning medium- and shorter-range missiles was in doubt.

Rather, they said it reflected a determination to iron out remaining points and to broaden the Washington summit, which begins on December 7, to cover other issues, including the Gulf War.

In an interview with *The Times*, Mr Gennady Gerasimov, the chief Kremlin spokesman, said he was "optimistic that the summit will go ahead as planned".

The outstanding issues centre on verification procedures and include matters which affect Britain. But UK sources emphasized their confidence that the points were close to resolution.

American sources expressed unhappiness that the Soviet Union had not yet provided all the data considered essential by Washington to complete the intermediate nuclear forces (INF) pact.

The verification points still unresolved, but said to be almost agreed, include the number of years that inspectors from the superpowers should have access to each other's missile sites.

British sources remain confident that Moscow will agree that Soviet inspectors should have much more restricted access in the UK. Only Greenham Common and Molesworth, the two declared cruise missile sites, will be open to them.



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Computers speed the cause of British martyrs

From Roger Boyes
Rome

The Pope, in a solemn ceremony, will beatify tomorrow no fewer than 85 British martyrs, drawn from some of the oldest Catholic families in England, Wales and Scotland.

Beatification is the last stage before canonization and the descendants of the martyrs will now have a "Blessed" in the family.

The Congregation of Saints, the Vatican's canonization department, has been working at full stretch on the 85 martyrs. The department is just being computerized with the advice of an expert archbishop from Brooklyn, Monsignor Robert Sarno, to cope with the heavy flow of beatifications and canonizations under the papacy of John Paul II. At the press of a button, the Vatican can now cross-reference miracles and call up stigmata on to the screen.

Many of the martyrs were put to death during the reign of Queen Elizabeth I. Queen Mary (1553-58), Elizabeth's half-sister, had tried to roll back the Reformation with a zealous, and sometimes violent, campaign to restore Catholicism.

Elizabeth, on the death of Mary, isolated the Catholic community with a series of repressive laws. In 1570 Pope Pius V excommunicated her, and official persecution of Catholic missionaries – who had been trained in foreign seminaries and smuggled into England – became particularly savage. Those who sheltered the priests were also imprisoned and executed. Almost 200 priests and lay people were put to death in the reign of Queen Elizabeth and the repression continued until the 1680s.

In 1886 Pope Leo XIII declared 318 English and Welsh Catholics to have been True Martyrs to the Faith. Of these, 157 have been beatified and another 42 canonized. The names of the latest martyrs to be beatified can be found in any telephone book – there are Lawsons, Palisers, Postgates, Simpsons and Thorpes – and show how deeply entrenched the Catholic faith was in England. The current beatifications include only one Scot and six Welshmen.

Cardinal Basil Hume, the Duke of Norfolk and some 2,000 Catholic relatives and representatives will attend the beatification ceremony in the Vatican. The Queen will be represented by the British Ambassador to the Holy See, Mr David Lane.

Cardinal Hume, commenting on the beatification, said: "Fortunately we live in a different age. We pray and work for Christian unity. Nothing, however, can take away from the fact that Catholics died with great courage.

A votive Mass for the newly beatified martyrs will be celebrated in Westminster Cathedral tomorrow

NEWS SUMMARY

Longer ban for killer drivers

The minimum ban for those found guilty of causing death by reckless driving is to be raised from one to two years.

The Home Office agreed to the increase in the Criminal Justice Bill after pressure from backbench peers.

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents supported the campaign, which was led by Lord Monson. Lord Lane, the Lord Chief Justice, has complained also that the courts were treating reckless driving too lightly.

Lord Monson, president of the Society for Individual Freedom, said: "The important point is that those whose reckless driving has produced such appalling consequences should be kept off the road for as long as possible".

The maximum penalty for causing death by reckless driving is five years' imprisonment.

Paper closes

The left-wing tabloid *News on Sunday* closed yesterday one day after its major backer, Mr Owen Oyston, said he had some "very new and exciting ideas" for a relaunch of the seven-month-old paper.

Mr Oyston gave staff the news at a hastily-called meeting in Manchester after negotiations to persuade trade unions to guarantee sales failed when it became clear that a last-minute business plan had the positive support of only five unions.

Mr Oyston is understood to have lost £2 million.

'Loyalist' critical

A hardline "loyalist" remained critically ill yesterday after being shot twice in the neck.

Mr George Seawright, aged 37, a former Democratic Unionist, was shot at close-range on Thursday. His wife, Elizabeth, a Belfast councillor, said surgeons removed a bullet from his spine. The Irish People's Liberation Organization, an Inla offshoot, claimed responsibility.

● Police will attempt to prevent an Irish republican march at Longsight, Manchester, tomorrow because of death threats.

Shops Act for EEC

A crown court judge decided yesterday that the Shops Act, which restricts Sunday trading, should be referred to the European Court of Justice in Luxembourg to see if it conflicts with EEC rules.

Judge Sir Jonathan Clarke, hearing an appeal at Bodmin Crown Court, Cornwall, by a company convicted of selling women's underwear on a Sunday, deferred judgement after saying that there was "force" in the company's argument that the Act was in breach of Treaty of Rome regulations.

The firm argued that if it were put out of business by being unable to trade on Sundays, its lost sales would represent a restriction on trade between EEC countries, forbidden by the treaty.

Women protest

Three women barricaded themselves in a maternity home yesterday in protest at its closure.

They walked into the kitchens of the Bolitho home in Penzance shortly after 7am and locked the doors and windows. The trio plan to stay there over the weekend and are prepared to chain themselves to pipes

An economy drive by Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Health Authority, which needs to save £1.2 million, is behind the decision to close the home temporarily from last night.

TNT offer accepted

The Transport and General Workers Union accepted a new pay offer yesterday from TNT, the freight transport group, at a delegate conference of shop stewards.

The union had intended to call a national one-hour stoppage after members voted by a majority of two to one to reject a two-stage wage increase. A new pay and conditions package of an extra £8 a week for the 5,000 workers was offered by TNT.

The conference recommended the new offer to members.

BR to sell steam line

The last British Rail-run steam railway in Britain is likely to be put up for sale early next year. Three steam engines and 12 miles of narrow gauge track will be on offer.

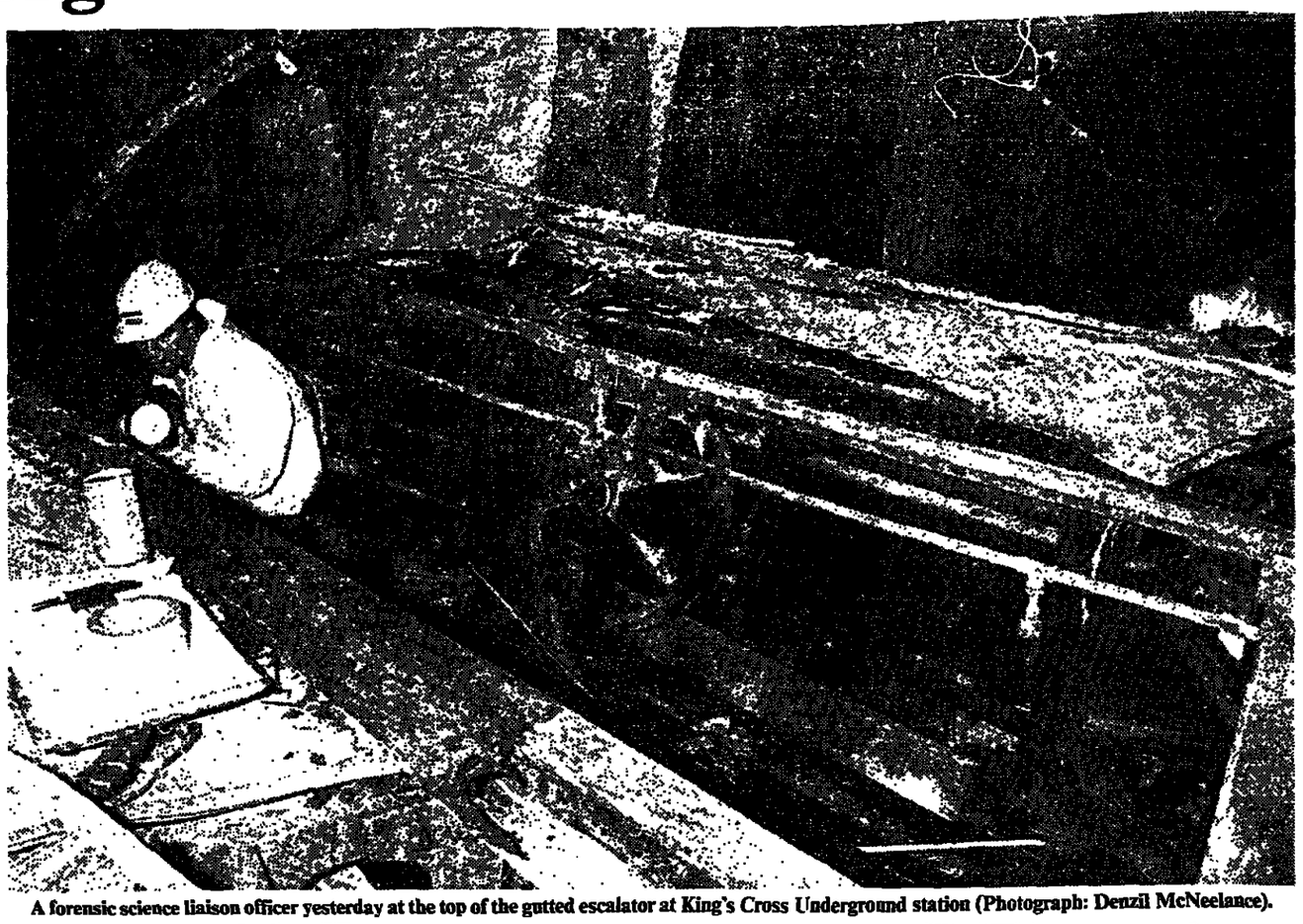
British Rail is obtaining a value for the line, which runs between Aberystwyth and Devil's Bridge in Mid Wales. The sale will be conditional on the line staying open.

Shares boy 'cleared'

Christopher Peach, the boy who lost £20,000 on the stock market, will not be disciplined by his school.

Governors at Highfield School in Matlock, Derbyshire, agreed yesterday that it would be "inappropriate" to take action. The pupil, aged 15, made telephone deals with London brokers who thought he was a City "whizz-kid".

Underground cuts back maintenance



A forensic science liaison officer yesterday at the top of the gutted escalator at King's Cross Underground station (Photograph: Denzil McNeelance).

London Underground is having to make savings of £14.5 million to keep within budgets and is reducing spending on lifts, escalators and maintenance. It insists, however, that the cuts will not affect safety.

It seeks to save £10 million on capital expenditure projects such as lifts and escalators during the rest of this financial year, which ends in March. These projects will be rolled forward for completion in the 1988-89 financial year.

About £4.5 million is to be saved on day-to-day running costs, such as recruitment and cancelling of Christmas television advertising.

Among the cuts is £1 million on escalators and lifts from an original budget of £3.8 million. It was emphasized that although the cuts involved maintenance and renewal of escalators, safety would not be affected. About £1.7 million has been cut from a station modernization and

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improvements budget of £6.8 million, with the savings being spread over projects at Holborn, South Kensington, Mile End and Tower Hill.

Savings on day-to-day spending include £1.3 million on recruitment and £800,000 on maintenance. With a 50 per cent increase in the number of passengers carried in the past few years, the Underground has cut its operating loss from £121 million in 1984-85 to £73.3 million in 1986-87.

Dr Tony Ridley, chairman and managing director of the Underground, said that he was not contemplating resigning because of the tragedy at King's Cross. "I would not contemplate it at this moment."

The Underground was carrying out a fundamental review of its safety practices, and "nothing will be unquestioned". It had in recent years made a substantial number of changes in its practices.

Even if it was perfect, "there is no way in which an Underground can be 100 per cent safe against all eventualities. Even our critics have recognized that the Underground is safer than travelling by road or air", he said.

● A call for more money to be devoted to fire prevention measures was made yesterday by London's fire chief.

Chief Fire Officer Mr Gerald Clarkson, who cut short an official visit to China because of the tragedy, appealed to the public to be more vigilant about the risks posed by fires.

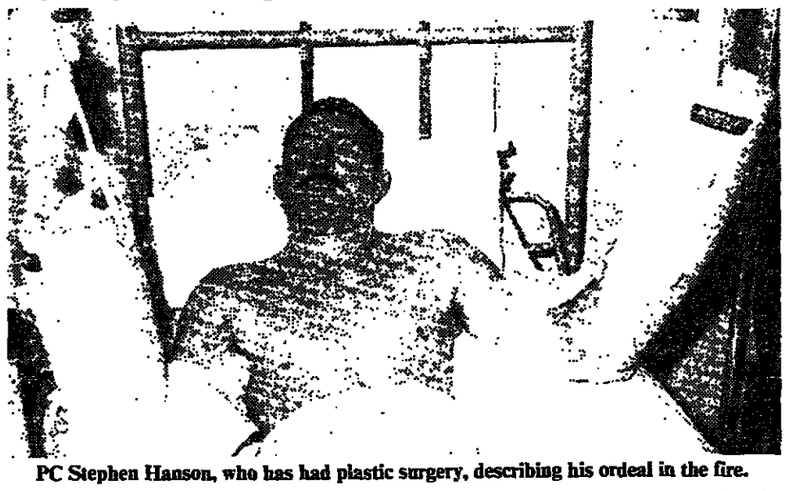
● A 24-hour counselling service for survivors of the King's Cross fire and a fund to aid the vicitims of the disaster were set up yesterday by Camden Borough Council.

It has taken advice from people involved in the aftermath of the Bradford Football Club fire and Zeebrugge ferry disaster.

Counsellors can be reached on 01-837 6183.

Donations to the appeal fund can be made by credit card by phoning 01-278 4444. From Monday, cheques made out to the King's Cross Disaster Fund can be paid into any bank or sent to PO Box 1160, London NW1 2RJ.

PC tells of being hit by silent explosion



PC Stephen Hanson, who has had plastic surgery, describing his ordeal in the fire.

The policeman injured while trying to rescue passengers trapped in the King's Cross Underground fire spoke from his hospital bed yesterday about a silent explosion which turned a subterranean ticket hall into a ball of fire.

Police Constable Stephen Hanson, aged 32, of the British Transport Police, was in University College Hospital, London, recovering from the first of a series of operations in a long course of plastic surgery on his hands which, he said, "melted" in the fire.

Initially, he said, the fire had broken out in the middle of the escalator but it seemed quite minor. "One minute we seemed to have the situation under control. Next minute it was pitch black and there was fire all round us", he said.

Then there was an explosion which he described not a loud bang but a "whoosh".

He said: "It was like a shock wave of fire and bellowing smoke. It completely knocked me off my feet.

"I was on my hands and knees, trying to get below the fireball. My hands caught fire. They were just melting.

"I had to get out as quickly as possible, otherwise I'd have been one of the dead."

PC Hanson, who is married with three children including a baby aged eight weeks, said: "I kept thinking of my wife and three children. I'm just so grateful to be alive."

Three other victims were still in intensive care yesterday in the hospital. Three more are recovering from the first of a series of operations by plastic surgeons.

The most severely injured of the victims was yesterday in intensive care and breathing with the assitance of a ventilator. The hospital said his condition was critical and not stable. The man's name is not to be released at the request of his family.

The other passengers in intensive care were both described as "critical but stable". They were Mr Ron Lipius, a professional guitarist, aged 22, from London, and Miss Mariella Santelo, aged 21, an Italian presently living in Wood Green, north London.

The other injured were Mr Richard Bates, aged 35, from Crouch End, north London; Mr Damon Brody, aged 20, from Edinburgh, and Miss Rosalind Leach, aged 28, from St Albans, Hertfordshire.

All are suffering from extensive burns to the hand and face.

Last night Mrs Una Bell, the head nurse at the hospital, who worked a 37-hour shift through the disaster, paid tribute to the nursing staff.

Contingency plans to deal with a big emergency had worked very smoothly, she said.

The hospital had organized a counselling service for members of staff, as well as the patients and their relatives.

Bearings offer clue to Tube disaster

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three Piccadilly Line escalators and two Victoria Line ones and had spread because of rubbish in the room. But investigators say the room is "clean" and that rubbish or other examples of "bad housekeeping" is not to blame.

Reports on Thursday suggested that the fire had started on the wooden steps of the escalator and even been fuelled by white spirit used by cleaners to strip the wood. But Mr Lewis said: "A fire on the escalator steps would have been moving up all the time and there is no evidence of that. If an inflammable liquid like white spirit had been involved, the fire would have built up more rapidly without a 'flashover' occurring."

The slow development of the fire also tends to rule out arson as a likely cause. "It is possible to introduce lighted material into the system on purpose", Mr Lewis said, "but deliberate fires tend to be more rapid."

18 of the dead named

By David Cross

A boy aged seven, his mother and his uncle who died in the King's Cross Tube fire disaster were among 18 victims named yesterday.

Scotland Yard said that **Dean Cottle**, from Leyton, east London, and his mother **Mrs Shisheila Cottle**, aged 25, and her brother, **Mr Rai Singh**, aged 34, were among the 30 who died.

Six more victims have been identified but next of kin have yet to be informed. The remaining six have still to be named.

Mrs Cottle had gone into town with her son and brother to visit her eldest son, Marvin, aged 10, in hospital.

Her father-in-law said yesterday that it was not until lunchtime the next day that the family found out about the deaths.

Another victim, **Mr Andrew Burdett**, aged 40, a water board worker, died because he went for a pint after work.

A bachelor, he met a female colleague on his way to the station and went into a public house for a drink.

Miss Liz Byers, aged 27, died after enjoying a quiet meal with an old friend. A keen churchgoer in her home town of St Albans, she would usually use her motor-cycle to get to work at Walkers School in Southgate, but on Wednesday she decided to travel by Tube. **Miss Sarah Dearden**, aged 32, was on her way back to Bonn in West Germany after attending her grandmother's funeral. A correspondent for Reuters, the international news agency, she had returned to Britain on Tuesday for the funeral at her family home in Cley-next-the-sea, Norfolk.

The others named were:

Ivan Tarassenko, aged 25, from Dyfed, Wales.

Mark Bryant, aged 18, from east London.

Natalie Falco, aged 65, from Oakwood, north London.

Treena Chappell, aged 17, from north London.

Lawrence Newcombe, aged 27, from central London.

Bobby Keegan, aged 45, from Luton, Bedfordshire.

Colin Townsley, aged 40, from Lewisham, south-east London.

Marco Liberaci, aged 25, from north London.

Michael Holden, aged 40, a lavatory attendant from Islington, north London.

Geoffrey Marks, aged 55, from Ringwood, Hampshire.

Jonathan George, aged between 25 and 30, from Leicester.

Stephen Parsons, aged 35, from St Albans, Hertfordshire.

Why the trains kept on running

Mr Michael Doherty, deputy chief officer of the fire brigade covering the St Pancras area, yesterday defended the decision to allow trains to continue running through King's Cross Underground station while fire raged above.

It has been suggested that a passing train driving air before it turned a small fire into a blaze, blowing fireball and dense smoke into the booking hall.

Mr Doherty said the decision to have the trains continue running was based on lessons learned at the Moorgate disaster when trains were stopped and a crowd of football supporters alighted and collided with rescue workers.

"The big priority was to make sure 200 people did not get off a Tube and walk into a fire", he said.

The key decision to keep trains running would have been taken by the station manager or one of the two inspectors in charge at the time of the fire.

Normally at that time of night a station would be run by an inspector, but the duty roster for Wednesday night shows that the station manager was in charge of 22 staff.

LRT said it was still not clear who had been in charge as some staff might have been taking a meal break or engaged elsewhere.

In the absence of the station manager, the decision on whether to keep the trains running would have been left to one of the inspectors.

The general rule was to keep trains moving to take as many passengers as possible away from any fire and to prevent further chaos up the line.

Tube sprinkler fears of electricity hazard

London Underground installed a fire-prevention sprinkler system beneath wooden escalators, including those at King's Cross, at a cost of thousands of pounds but ruled that they should not activate automatically because they were close to electricity sources.

The sprinklers would send a high-pressure spray known as waterfog over the machine room and the underside of escalator runners and steps.

However, Wednesday night's inferno spread so swiftly that staff holding keys for the water supply control box are believed to have had little time to turn it on, it was disclosed yesterday.

An Underground spokesman said: "It was decided that because of the hazardous mix of electricity and water that the sprinkler system should not be activated automatically by smoke detectors".

London Regional Transport says guidelines issued to station staff advise that if a fire broke out on or under an escalator, it must be kept running and that waterfog equipment must be switched on.

More firebreaks are to be built in Underground stations next year as part of a £15 million safety programme.

London Regional Transport reacted angrily yesterday to reports that it had jeopardized safety by diverting funds from the programme

It said: "Firebreaks have been installed ahead of schedule at 15 stations including Victoria line platforms and escalator shafts at King's Cross".

Correction

The sixth paragraph of our report (November 16) about the leaked letter from Lord Prior, chairman of GEC, to Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Defence, referred to "the fraud" by Marconi. This should have read "alleged fraud". We apologize for the mistake.

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It is big business says man who sells to the body builders

Illegal drug supplier deals by mail order

By Howard Foster and John Goodbody

The Times this week bought hormone drugs from an illegal seller with the ease of making a mail order catalogue purchase.

After answering an advertisement in a national body building magazine, an extensive price list naming the drugs and their qualities, with the stipulation that sales would be on a cash only basis, was received.

The drug Deca-Durabolin which was described as "a safe bet, good old Deca, bodybuilders have used it for years" was ordered by a reporter and less than a week later, a carton containing 10 ampoules of the drug, disposable syringes and needles was received by registered post. A handwritten note accompanying the parcel explained that the other drugs sought were out of stock.

It is legal for individuals to possess hormone drugs in Britain under the terms of the Medicines Act of 1968, but it is unlawful to sell them except on prescription.

The illegal supplier was Mr Robert Barratt, aged 45, an unemployed physical fitness instructor. The drugs cost £45 and syringes and needles £3.50.

Mr Barratt, who sells drugs from his small flat in Yarmouth Road, Norwich, Norfolk, showed a reporter and photographer from *The Times* two large plastic bags full of Methandro Stenolon tablets.

He claimed a weekly turnover of about £500. He also produced injectable hormone drugs from Spain and Greece and said that he was supplying about 25 people with drugs, but could easily increase this trade because of the demand.

Mr Barratt, who claimed he had been dealing illicitly for about eight months, said: "All the dealers keep to their own areas. I supply a few people around the country but I would not poach on some other dealer's territory."

He said that he received his supplies from a man he knew only as "Paul" who visited him fortnightly. The man delivered several bags full of hormone drugs to their rendezvous at a Norwich cafe.

"He is obviously a big dealer", Mr Barratt said. "He told me he was about to bring 500,000 Dianabol tablets into the country. They cost up to £20 for 100 on the market, so that is £100,000 worth.

"I am sure he has a shipping agency which tells the customs that the drugs are for import and then export from Britain. The trade is huge and growing

Mr Barratt said that he had recently bought testosterone, the male hormone which can be used as a body building drug, labelled "International Pharmaceuticals", which appeared at first glance to come from West Germany, but his inquiries had shown that no such company existed.

"There is now fake stuff coming on the market and I think it is made in the UK", Mr Barratt said. "It is a rip-off because there will be a small amount of drug and a lot of something like oil in it. Anything that comes in vials is not likely to be the real thing."

Mr Barratt said that he had regularly used hormone drugs and intended to start competitive body building in the near future. He acknowledged that he was breaking the law by selling steroids without a prescription, but justified the sales as merely satisfying a need voiced by every competitive sportsman in the world.

"Profits are low nowadays because so many people are dealing", he said. "How can you not take steroids when you want to compete at some level of sport?

"It is a question of competition at whatever scale you set for yourself. I supply some top body builders who ring me up for steroids.

"My business dealings now look as if they are over because of *The Times* and I am aware that someone went to prison recently for dealing in steroids. I would just say that I am a small dealer and one of very many."



Mr Robert Barratt (above) in his flat yesterday, and his extensive price list (below).

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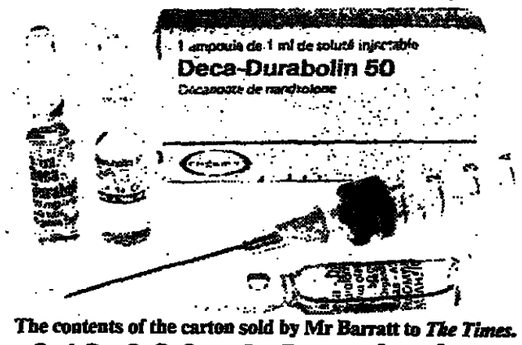
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The contents of the carton sold by Mr Barratt to *The Times*.

£40,000 vials missing

Vials of a hormone drug worth £40,000 wholesale disappeared from the Hospital for Sick Children in Great Ormond Street, central London, earlier this year, it was admitted yesterday.

The 1,440 vials would be worth more than £60,000 on the black market catering to sportsmen, athletes and body builders.

The missing drug, Somatanorm, is a human growth hormone and is used for the treatment of short stature and small bones. It can also aid the anabolic action of the body and so has been widely used in the United States in aiding muscle growth.

Mr Tim Priall, the hospital administrator, said yesterday: "It is an unexplained loss. The police were informed."

Mr Priall said it was originally thought that the drugs might not have been delivered by the suppliers, KabiVitrum, of Uxbridge, west London, but the company produced a delivery receipt.

Embryo research 'needed to defeat genetic disease'

By Jill Sherman, Social Services Correspondent

New techniques for screening hereditary diseases such as muscular dystrophy and cystic fibrosis could be introduced within months if embryo research is allowed to continue, a leading in-vitro fertilization expert said yesterday.

Professor Robert Winston, head of the infertility clinic at Hammersmith Hospital, west London, said that the new method, which involves isolating and screening a single cell in a two-day-old embryo after IVF, could prevent the abortions which are currently carried out after screenings late in pregnancy.

Once disease was detected scientists could then attempt to replace the rogue gene with a healthy gene, he said.

Anticipating the White Paper on embryo research expected on Thursday, Professor Winston said: "Genetic diseases are one of the biggest unsolved mysteries and it is vitally important that they should be studied with the help of embryo research".

Those defects occurred in 2 to 5 per cent of all live births and were the cause of 40 to 50 per cent of deaths in childhood, he said.

The White Paper has been drawn up in the light of recommendations in the *Warnock Report on Human Fertilization and Embryology* published in 1984. They included proposals to allow research on embryos up to 14 days old.

In a consultative document published last December the Government said it intended to put forward alternative sets of draft clauses on embryo research, reflecting the Warnock recommendations and those proposed in Mr Enoch Powell's Unborn Children (Protection) Bill, which called for all research to be prohibited except that intended to benefit the individual embryo.

Under present guidance from the voluntary licensing authority embryos produced from IVF techniques cannot be tampered with before they are implanted.

However, Professor Winston said that he was not doing anything which the authority did not approve of and he did not expect opposition when he applied for a licence. "We are only isolating one cell from the embryo. There is less chance of damaging the embryo than freezing it.

"There is no evidence that what we have done or what we plan to do has caused or will cause any defects in children."

He stressed that embryo research was also important for infertility treatment to improve the present low success rate and to ensure that techniques would not damage the baby. It could be useful too in diagnosis for infertility by analysing sperm and eggs, research into miscarriages and to test new methods of contraception.

16-year 'deterrent' for airport drug smuggler

A cocaine smuggler who used women to bring more than £600,000 of the drug into Heathrow Airport was yesterday jailed for 16 years.

George Stokes, aged 41, of Crystal Palace, south London, a former roofer and club owner, was found guilty at the Central Criminal Court of conspiring to smuggle cocaine from Paris to London.

His two women couriers, Maxine Seaman, aged 27, and Tracey Armstrong, aged 25, who carried the drugs hidden in champagne bottles, were jailed for five years and three years respectively.

Seaman, a former travel agent, of Stepney, east London, and Armstrong, a telex operator, of Hackney, east London, had admitted smuggling the cocaine.

Judge Petre said the 16-year sentence should be a deterrent to other drug smugglers.

Two other women on similar charges were acquitted

Birmingham bombing appeal

Police 'incentive to falsify'

Alleged traces of nitroglycerine on the hands of bomb suspects inspired the police to concoct interviews, destroy notebooks, and draw up a false schedule of what was said to obtain convictions in the Birmingham bombing trial, three appeal judges were told yesterday.

Lord Gifford, QC, for six Irishmen who are appealing against conviction, said that once it had been established that nitroglycerine was on the hands of two of the accused, there was a powerful incentive to officers to twist the truth.

The six men, all serving life sentences, are appealing against their convictions for the murders of the 21 people who died in the Birmingham blasts 13 years ago.

Their lawyers are challenging the scientific evidence given at their trial as misleading and erroneous. They also claim that confessions were extracted from the men by police brutality.

Lord Gifford said a schedule of interview times drawn up by Det Supt George Reade, one of the detectives leading the Birmingham inquiry, was false.

The six appellants are William Power, aged 42, of Cranwell Grove; Patrick Hill, aged 42, of Kilburn Road, Kingstanding; John Walker, aged 52, of Enderby Road, Kingstanding; Robert Hunter, aged 41, of Riley Way, Kingstanding; Noel McIlkenny, aged 53, of Epsom Grove, Kingstanding; and Hugh Callaghan, aged 57, of Stanwell Grove, Erdington, all Birmingham.

In his submission to the judges, Lord Gifford said of the four witnesses who gave evidence about the men's treatment in custody: "No one in the world outside could comprehend that such people are regarded as unworthy of belief".

The court was told yesterday that tests done on a barrister's playing cards disclosed traces of nitrocellulose.

Dr David Baldock, a former senior scientific officer at the Home Office forensic laboratory in Nottingham, said the cards gave a strong reaction for the substance when he treated them with Griess reagents.

Lawyers for the six appellants are challenging the evidence of Dr Frank Skuse, a scientist, who said at their trial that he had found, using the Griess test, traces of nitroglycerine on the hands of two of them. He denied that the test would produce a positive reaction for nitrocellulose.

The hearing was adjourned until Monday.

Duff wins £10,000 for libel by newspaper

Mr Mickey Duff, the boxing promoter, won £10,000 libel damages in the High Court yesterday over allegations linking him with stolen money used to promote fights.

The former professional fighter who has been involved in boxing all his life claimed a newspaper article branded him "a willing partner in crime".

He claimed *The Sunday Times* falsely suggested in January 1983 he entered into deals with an American fight promoter, Mr Harold Smith, knowing he was using stolen money to put up large purses.

Mr Smith has been accused of embezzling $21.3 million from the Wells Fargo Bank. Mr Duff, suing in his real name of Morris Prager, admitted receiving $350,000 from Mr Smith to set up fights, including a possible Muhammad Ali meeting with a heavyweight, John L Gardner.

Mr Duff, aged 58, of Southwick Street, Paddington, west London, claimed the article meant he was "up to his neck" in unlawful business.

Times Newspapers Ltd, publishers of *The Sunday Times*, denied libel. It said if the words were defamatory they meant only he had acted "disreputably" or was "incautious" in his dealings with Mr Smith.

A jury of seven women and five men took 90 minutes to find in Mr Duff's favour after a three-day hearing.

Outside the court Mr Duff, who was awarded legal costs against the newspaper, said: "I'm delighted."

VAT plea on Albert Hall seats rejected

A customs and excise attempt to charge owners of seats and boxes at Albert Hall in London value-added tax on the income they receive from them failed in the High Court yesterday.

A customs and excise spokesman said it would appeal against the decision

The Albert Hall, where long leases cost between £4,000 for a seat to £80,000 for a box, is only one of many theatres and public arenas which sell seats.

Mr Justice Nolan rejected a customs and excise appeal against a VAT tribunal ruling that Mr Peter Zinn, a London businessman, did not have to pay £5,028 assessed as due on money he made from selling his Albert Hall seats.

Van Dyck lacks appeal

By Huon Mallalieu

Christie's leading autumn sale of English pictures ended yesterday with what might be thought to be an horrific bought-in figure of 48 per cent.

However, all but about £11,000 of that was represented by the failure of one work, Van Dyck's portrait of Prince Charles Louis, elder brother of Prince Rupert of the Rhine, which was bought in at £620,000. It is a fine thing but the sitter has little of the romantic appeal of his brother.

The most expensive of the sold works was a lovely view on the Grand Canal looking towards the Rialto by Bonington, which was bid cautiously to £252,000 (estimate £250,000 to £350,000).

After the failure of a Stubbs horse portrait at Sotheby's on Wednesday, the auctioneers were crossing fingers for their Stubbs of the Great Eclipse, offered for the benefit of the

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National Museum of Racing. In the event, it sold for a respectable £220,000.

A portrait which did very much better than expected was of an eighteenth-century Colonel Grey, by Agostini Masucci, which had been removed from Orchard Leigh, where Christie's recently held a successful contents sale.

In the specialist sale yesterday it sold for £66,000 against an estimate of £12,000 to £18,000.

At Sotheby's a sale of ancient glass produced a total of £593,175 with 14.3 per cent bought in, and an excellent result in the £352,000 paid by the Mansur Gallery of London for a little Roman cameo glass drinking cup (estimate about £250,000). It is a *skyphos*, or stemmed two-handled cup, in rich blue glass with a white frieze of chariot racing, and it dates from around the birth of Christ.

It is one of about 12 such cameo glass vessels to have survived. They are generally well enough known to have been given their own names. This was the Constable-Maxwell *skyphos*.

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Resistance promised as education shake-up is unveiled

Baker's concession on the teaching of religion in schools

By John Clare, Education Correspondent

The Education Reform Bill, which will radically change the nature and organization of schools in England and Wales, was published yesterday and contained a significant concession on religious education.

After complaints that the subject was being neglected, The Bill requires local education authorities, governing bodies and head teachers to ensure that religious instruction is taught "for a reasonable time" in every school. The Education Act, 1944 contained a similar requirement but it has been widely ignored.

The Bill gives the governors of all secondary schools and every primary school with more than 300 pupils the right to apply to the Secretary of State for grant-maintained status, free of local authority control. The move must be supported by a simple majority of parents voting in secret

Two months are allowed for objections to be registered after which the Secretary of State may accept, reject or modify the application.

Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for Education and Science, said he expected the first schools to opt out in the autumn of 1989. "I think many will seize the opportunity in the first year and that after that the movement will grow."

The Bill also requires local education authorities to set up a complaints procedure to hear objections from those who believe schools are failing to discharge their obligations.

Mr Baker said the teaching of religion had become "entirely perfunctory" in most state secondary schools.

The Bill opens with a declaration requiring schools to teach a "balanced and broadly based curriculum which promotes the spiritual, moral, cultural, mental and physical development of pupils and prepares them for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of adult life".

Mr Baker believes that by setting the curriculum in such a context he has effectively answered the severe and potentially damaging criticisms voiced by the churches.

At a press conference yesterday, he described the Bill as a charter for better education. "It will channel the pressure which has built up in the country to raise the quality of education in our schools, colleges, polytechnics and universities.

"That's the Government's purpose. A better education — relevant to the late twentieth century and beyond — for all our children, whatever their ability, wherever they live, whatever type of school"

Mr Baker said he hoped the Bill would mollify those who have complained that the proposed national curriculum is unduly prescriptive and thereby threatens such minority subjects as Latin, home economics, business studies and careers guidance.

Apart from the national curriculum, the main proposals of the Bill include:
- **the establishment of grant maintained schools and city technology colleges;**
- **the breaking up of the Inner London Education Authority;**
- **new school admissions procedures;**
- **the delegation of budgetary control to governing bodies;**
- **freeing polytechnics and other higher education colleges from local authority control;**
- **new funding arrangements for universities and polytechnics;**
- **ending academic tenure for staff appointed from today.**

As he had promised, the Bill does not lay down how much time schools should devote to teaching the compulsory subjects: mathematics, English, science, Welsh (in Welsh-speaking schools), an approved modern foreign language (in secondary schools only), history, geography, technology, music, art and physical education.

However, Mr Baker made clear that he did not believe such a curriculum could be delivered to the required standard in less than 70 per cent of the timetable.

He said: "Some schools may be able to do it at 70 per cent, others will need 80 per cent, some may need more. The important point is that there is flexibility. I believe this will leave enough time for the subjects that have caused so much concern."

Mr Baker emphasized that he regarded the Bill as devolutionary rather than centralist. "Many of the powers it gives the Secretary of State are powers to devolve responsibility downwards: giving schools control of their budgets, allowing them to opt out of local authority control, giving parents more choice."

He said he had also been careful to introduce processes into the Bill to "fetter the discretion" of the holder of his office. In particular, the Secretary of State will be required to consult a new body, the National Curriculum Council, before making any changes to the curriculum and then to lay his proposals before Parliament.

Mr Baker conceded that only two specific changes had been made to the Bill as a result of the 16,500 replies his department had received to the consultation documents.

One change requires chief education officers to advise governing bodies on the appointment of heads and deputies and obliges the governors to "consider" such advice. The other allows local councillors to be elected to the chairmanship of the governing bodies of further education colleges.

Mr Baker also announced that the Bill would give him the power to require the rump of inner London boroughs to take over education once at least eight of the 13 boroughs have decided to opt out.

"We have listened to the objections but the main thrust of our proposals is unchanged", Mr Baker said. "Our commitments were all clearly set out in the election manifesto. It is true that many local authorities are hostile but you wouldn't expect monopolists to welcome the end of their monopoly."

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Mr Kenneth Baker (left), who unveiled his Education Bill yesterday and Mr Jack Straw.

Doubt over opting-out plan voiced by Tory authorities

By Sarah Thompson, Education Reporter

Most Conservative controlled local education authorities are highly critical or wholly opposed to Mr Baker's proposals, Mr Jack Straw, Labour's education spokesman, said yesterday.

Mr Straw said the Bill proposed no fewer than 175 new powers for the Secretary of State. "This leads not to greater freedom but to increased centralization", Mr Straw said.

He added: "These proposals will damage educational standards, reduce educational opportunity, and, if the Tory right has their way, lead to the privatization of the school system and to the partial introduction of fee paying".

The Association of Metropolitan Authorities said yesterday that the Bill was "a blueprint for inequality of opportunity, massive state control and economic inefficiency".

Mr James Hammond, general secretary of the National Confederation of Parent Teacher Associations, said that parents would be "disappointed" by Mr Baker's apparent failure to take note of bodies such as his own which had asked for substantial amendments.

The Education Bill does not apply to Northern Ireland, apart from some provisions relating to universities.

Dr Brian Mawhinney, minister responsible for education at the Northern Ireland Office, said yesterday that he would examine the Bill's proposals to study how best they could be applied to the different education system in the province.

A consultation paper outlining the Northern Ireland Office's initial views will be published in the new year.

Mr Alan Williams, Labour's Wales spokesman, said that in rural areas, the proposals for open enrolment would result in reduced choice.

"Two schools in one Welsh valley may both be down to 75 per cent capacity because of falling rolls. If 50 per cent of parents at one school go to the other school, the first school will close down and people will end up losing choice, rather than getting choice."

Mr Straw attacked Mr Baker for inconsistency in that in 1980 he opposed the break-up of the Inner London Education Authority and was formerly opposed to the national curriculum.

Mr Straw has produced a 20-page document quoting Conservative controlled authorities responding to Mr Baker's proposals. They include authorities in the constituencies of both Mr Baker and Mrs Thatcher.

Mr Straw said the public was refused access to the Department of Education and Science's own analysis of the thousands of responses to the consultation documents.

But after week's delving among official responses placed in the House of Commons Library, he had no difficulty in discovering that, for example, Surrey County Council fears that "educational provision will be fragmented in the name of parental choice" and that opting out "could well be to the disadvantage of a far greater number of children for whom the authority would remain responsible".

Conservative-controlled Barnet council said the proposals would end "with a system loaded against maintained schools in an indefensibly inequitable manner".

Other critical Tory responses include Hertfordshire's which said: "The paper is flawed. . .not least in its apparent repudiation of things which the Government has long asserted as desirable elements of education provision".

The London borough of Merton said it was "concerned that one school, by seeking grant-maintained status, may compromise the effectiveness and viability of its reorganization and possibly delay the planned implementation date".

Of 22 Conservative education authorities which responded, only six were in favour of schools opting-out but still voiced criticisms.

The National Union of Teachers said that by ignoring the weight of opinion against his proposals, Mr Baker had proved that his consultative exercise had been a sham. The union called the Bill monstrous, doctrinaire and divisive".

"Far from increasing parental choice, it will give less choice for the majority and privileged treatment for a minority", the union said.

The National Association of Head Teachers said the Bill would not raise standards and gave the Secretary of State too many powers.

The Assistant Masters and Mistresses Association said the Bill would allow Mr Baker to install himself as the Napoleon of Britain's schools.

Jail terms getting longer in drugs and violence cases

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

Criminals who use violence or deal in drugs are being given much tougher sentences, according to Home Office statistics.

Mr Douglas Hurd, Home Secretary, said last night the average sentence handed down by the crown court for violence against the person has increased by 20 per cent during the past four years and for drug trafficking by 25 per cent.

Mr Hurd told East Hampshire Conservatives that once a criminal had been caught and convicted it was crucial for public confidence that he was dealt with effectively.

However, he said: "We need to get away from the idea that imprisonment is the only effective form of punishment, especially in relation to non-violent offenders".

Mr Hurd said police manpower stood at its highest with 123,740 officers and 41,305 outside staff, an increase of 12,247 officers and 6,675 staff since 1979.

He told the meeting: "The police have had an increase of some 50 per cent in resources on top of inflation since 1979. No other public service has had as much."

Mr Hurd said the first line of defence against crime was not the threat of discovery or punishment but the values and restraints which bound a society together.

"The 1986 Education Act stressed the need for schools to encourage good citizenship and social responsibility; this will be built upon through the national curriculum."

Mr Hurd said drug abuse was likely to lead to other forms of crime. A study of drugs users in Nottingham had found that 60 per cent had been convicted of crimes other than drug offences.

● The average sentence in the crown court for drug offences is believed to have risen in four years from 24 to 30 months. In February 1986 Lord Lane, Lord Chief Justice, handed down guidelines on sentencing in rape cases. The proportion of offenders given prison sentences in excess of five years has more than doubled during the past 18 months.

Pay settlements rising faster than inflation

By Roland Rudd

Pay settlements continue to rise faster than the rate of inflation, according to the monthly review of pay trends by the Industrial Relations Services.

The October average increase was 6.5 per cent, significantly up on the September figure of 5.8 per cent, which in turn was ahead of the 5.4 per cent average recorded between April and August.

The report predicts that pay settlements are unlikely to decline in the near future because of the good profit record of so many British companies and the pressure on pay rates from factors such as the need to recruit and retain skilled employees.

The increased cost of living in London and the South-east and rising inflation (forecast by the Chancellor to rise to 4.5 per cent over the next year) have also contributed to the upward drift of settlements, apparent from the beginning of the summer.

The report appears to be charting the early stages of a prolonged upward movement in pay deals.

However, the statistics are heavily influenced by the relatively few high settlements in the public sector. The two examples given in the report are the police pay award (7.75 per cent from September) and the local authority chief officers (7 per cent over 10 months from October).

The report shows that many employers are raising allowances or adjusting individual pay to cater for skill shortages and house prices rather than agreeing to higher basic-pay settlements.

Industrial Relations Review and Report: 404 (Industrial Relations Services, 18-20 Highbury Place, London N5 1QP, by subscription).

Ex-MPs face writs for unpaid Commons bills

By Martin Fletcher, Political Reporter

Two former MPs who left the Commons at the last election may be sued for payment of hefty outstanding bills that they ran up over the years in the bars and restaurants of the Palace of Westminster.

In 1979 MPs owed the Commons £250,000 for food and drink. Since then there has been a systematic crackdown on debtors, but these two, with three sitting MPs, owe the lion's share of some £10,000 still outstanding.

Both the former MPs have received letters from the Commons authorities demanding settlement. Neither has responded.

Mr Charles Irving, committee chairman since 1979, who has been a driving force behind the purge of debtors, said: "This is a very unpleasant and unhappy situation. Frankly, MPs should realize they should not place us in this very difficult position."

MPs are normally allowed to sign for meals but must settle within seven days. They are then given a further month at the end of which a letter will be sent to their chief whip. After three months, if the bill is still unpaid, the Speaker is informed. Legal action is the final recourse.

Churchmen condemn proposals

Leading figures in both the Anglican and Roman Catholic churches yesterday condemned the education proposals (John Clare writes).

The Bishop of London, Dr Graham Leonard, who is chairman of the Church of England's board of education, said the motive was "utilitarian and materialistic".

The Bishop of Leeds, Dr David Konstant, who is chairman of the education department of the Roman Catholic bishops' conference, complained that there was no reference to moral values.

Lords pose threat to reform

By Sheila Gunn, Political Staff

Opponents to the Education Bill in the House of Lords are likely to try to push through "technical changes" which delicately but effectively wreck the reforms.

Westminster sources confirmed yesterday that an outright "wrecking" amendment stands little or no chance of success in the upper House. To ask peers to throw out, for instance, the opting out proposals would not attract the necessary support of renegade Conservative and independent peers.

However, they accept that the main danger for the Government will be in detailed amendments which can be said to "improve the Bill" although approval would substantially water down Mr Baker's reforms.

They believe that Lord Whitelaw, the deputy Prime Minister, was giving a warning of this danger in a recent radio interview, in which he predicted a possible defeat in the Lords on the Bill next summer. His comments earned him an implicit rebuke from Mrs Margaret Thatcher.

Mr Baker is expected to brief backbench Conservative peers during the Bill's progress through the Lords in an attempt to stave off possible defeats. The tactic worked well for him in ensuring a smooth passage for the Teachers' Pay and Conditions Bill.

The Government's business managers will also keep a close watch on the 26-strong bishops' bench, which can influence wavering Conservatives.

More right-wing Conservatives, who rewrote parts of the Education Bill, 1986, are set on bringing in more radical reforms, such as the voucher system.

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Private coal may be expanded

Though there were no plans at present to privatize British Coal, the Government was committed to the development of a prosperous private sector in the industry, Mr Michael Spicer, Under Secretary of State for Energy, told MPs.

He said that the Government was considering whether to raise the statutory limits applied to the licensed sector. There had been discussions with Sir Robert Haslam, Chairman of British Coal, over greater flexibility in the granting of licences to private operators.

It might be possible to speed up procedures for issuing licences. The Government hoped that agreement would be reached before Christmas.

Opening the debate, Mr Kevin Barron (Rother Valley, Lab) moved a motion calling on the Government to help coalfield communities suffering from high unemployment, lack of job opportunities, falling investment and increasing poverty.

He said that 50 per cent of jobs in coal mining had disappeared between 1981 and 1987.

For new enterprises and job opportunities to emerge, much had to be done. The Government was guilty of lack of action and lack of adequate economic policy in the face of decline.

Its main response had been British Coal Enterprise but the claim that it had created some 16,000 jobs could not be checked.

Coal mining communities had never been the most prosperous areas. But the depths of poverty were now at levels not seen for decades.

Mr Michael Alison (Selby, C) said that Mr Barron's view was that a social hurricane called "Hurricane Maggie" had blown across the coal fields. But another name for it was "Hurricane Arthur".

It was grotesque to argue that the financial relief to coalfield communities was inadequate if one considered the £3,000 million cost of the coal strike to the British taxpayer.

Mr George Buckley (Hemsworth, Lab), in a maiden speech, said that small communities totally dependent on coal had been thrown into havoc by pit closures. It would take massive assistance from the Government to get them through the transitional period into alternative employment.

These communities did not want charity, the dole or unemployment, they wanted the human right to earn a living and to maintain their families.

Mr Patrick McLoughlin (West Derbyshire, C) said that the President of the NUM did more to sell gas installations to industry than anyone else, because the very mention of the burning of coal raised the spectre of Mr Scargill.

Mr Alan Beith (Berwick-upon-Tweed, L) was worried that the problems of the coalfield communities would be forgotten while the inner-city problems received help, although both problems were just as acute.

Mr Edward Rowlands (Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney, Lab) said that there was worry about a new wave of pit closures and redundancies.

Mr Andrew Stewart (Sherwood, C) said that the *Plan for Coal* had been a good plan, but only the Government had stuck to its side of the bargain. Weak management and dominant union leaders had denied the people in the industry their just rewards.

Even in Nottinghamshire, the most productive mining area, jobs were being lost. The Government should give all mining areas some regional assistance.

Ms Joan Walley (Stoke-on-Trent North, Lab) called for a public inquiry to examine the sale of British Coal houses.

She said that these sales had brought many problems. Some who had bought their houses had subsequently found them to be defective. Some homes had gone to absentee landlords who did not produce rent books and who made no arrangements for housing management or repairs.



Joan Walley: Call for public inquiry on house sales.

Mr Spicer said that since the miners' strike productivity of coal had risen by 45 per cent and investment in new machinery had been maintained at a rate of £2 million every working day.

Since 1979, an amount equal to one-and-a-half times the present capital valuation of ICI had been injected into the industry.

British Coal had in its sights the objective of breaking even next year. There was the prospect of a highly competitive British coal industry with a secure future. British Coal's deficit was lower and its operating profit had doubled compared with last year.

It still had a long way to go to make itself fully competitive. "Because of falling prices British Coal is likely to have an increase in cash requirement and has had to accelerate its restructing.

"I am likely to have to announce to the House soon a revised external financing limit for this year. Because of increased redundancy costs and terminal depreciation the level of deficit grant of £100 million is also likely to prove inadequate.

"The deficit grant of £100 million available under the 1987 Act is increasable by order to a maximum of £200 million. Should it prove necessary, the Government would come to the House with the necessary order."

Privatization of electricity would prove the most important challenge to the coal industry over the next few years. Privatized electricity was likely to remain a large customer for coal, but it would be free to enter into commercial arrangements best suited to its needs.

He then outlined his views on the possible broadening of the licensing process in the coal industry.

He said that this Government was the first to respond to the special employment needs of coalfield areas, through British Coal Enterprise. Up to the end of October it had provided £36.5 million towards the cost of 1,700 individual projects.

Labour MPs had criticized the company for failing to publish the names of all ex-miners employed by the schemes that it had supported. BCE could not breach the rules of confidentiality, but he would see if it was possible to provide more information in future without breaching the rules.

Mr Alexander Eadie, an Opposition spokesman on energy, said that he did not think that it was a very good idea to make a retired Civil Servant, however senior, deputy chairman of British Coal. [Sir Kenneth Couzens holds this post.] "One could make some comment about this madman."

At the end of the debate, Conservative MPs forced a division. The motion was rejected by 135 votes to 4 — Government majority, 131.

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Firemen can sue for injuries received fighting home fires

By Andrew Morgan

Firemen injured in household fires begun by negligence can sue the person who started the blaze, a ruling in the House of Lords has declared.

Lawyers acting for firemen who have suffered injuries in fires at homes said yesterday more cases would now be proceeding.

Law lords unanimously agreed that Mr Ronald Taylor, from Romford, east London, should pay £14,402 in damages to a fireman who suffered serious injuries after he fought a fire at Mr Taylor's home.

The fire started while Mt Taylor was using a blowlamp to remove paint from the outside of his home.

The fireman, Mr Michael Ogwo, aged 30, received serious burns to his upper body and face from scalding heat which penetrated his protective clothing.

Lord Bridge said no basic principle existed for denying a professional fireman, who had done his job with skill and efficiency, the right to seek damages in the courts against a person starting a fire negligently.

Mr Stephen Dudley, who acted for Mr Ogwo, said several other firemen involved in similar cases would now have the confidence to proceed.

He said: "A lot of firemen suffering injuries are still reluctant to claim from private householders, particularly when they know they aren't insured.

"But for those willing to proceed, this should lead to more settlements."

In the House of Lords, Mr Taylor had not denied his negligence had started the fire. He argued he could not have foreseen the fireman's injuries.

Lord Bridge ruled that a person starting a fire could foresee that the fire brigade would be called and that firemen would use their skill to do whatever was necessary to put it out and would be subject to any inherent risks in that operation.

He said the risk to Mr Ogwo was one which Mr Taylor could have avoided by "elementary care and without difficulty or expense".

Mr Dudley said several firemen had been waiting for the Lords ruling before pursuing their claims.

He said: "This is the first time there has been a decided outcome to such a case. There is more confidence about firemen winning damages in the future."

Mr Clive Longhurst, of the Association of British Insurers, said damages awarded in court for fire negligence would be covered within the public liability part of the contents section of an insurance policy.

● A motorist who knocked down a police counstable, causing injuries which wrecked the officer's career, had his jail sentence of 18 months halved yesterday.

The Court of Appeal in London decided Paul Collins, aged 32, had not been given enough credit for his guilty plea and previous good driving record.

Mr Justice Turner said Police Constable Nicholas Wilson, of the Surrey police force, suffered severe head injuries and would probably have to leave the force on medical grounds.

But Collins, of the Star Hill caravan site at Hartley Wintney, Hampshire, deserved more than the six-month discount he received from the maximum two-year term for reckless driving.

East End gallery chief moves to Tate

By Lynda Murdin

Mr Nicholas Serota, director of the Whitechapel Gallery in east London, woke up yesterday convinced he was not going to be the next director of the Tate "and feeling quite relieved".

So it came as quite a shock when Downing Street later approved and announced his appointment by the gallery' s trustees as successor to Mr Alan Bowness.

"I am delighted, but I would have been equally happy to stay at the Whitechapel", Mr Serota, aged 41, said.

For the past 11 years he has provided the culturally kaleidoscopic area around Aldgate East with internationally-renowned exhibitions of twentieth century art. He takes up his new post in September, initially for seven years.

"I think all the national museums face very great problems in the next decade", he said, naming government funding as a key area of concern.

"The Arts Minister recently announced an increase in the arts budget but as far as museums and galleries are concerned, there are difficult years ahead.

"Although the increase next year is from around £119 million to £134 million for national institutions, the following year the amount rises only by something over £1 million and approximately another £2 million the year after that."

Asked about the minister's proposal to give the Tate, National Gallery and National Portrait Gallery power to sell unwanted paintings, he said it was too early for him to express an opinion.

Mr Richard Rogers, the trustees' chairman, said last night there was much deliberation by the selection board before Mr Serota was picked from a short list of four. He added that they were all confident Mr Serota would provide "the wide range of abilities, the leadership and resourcefulness to see this exciting and challenging period of development through."

Financial tightwalking between the private and public sector will not be the new director's only responsibility. The Tate plans to extend, at its Liverpool gallery as well as at Millbank, moves which require a director with financial acumen.

Then, of course, there are the pictures and sculptures, modern in the main but also including an historical British collection plus the Turners, now housed in the adjacent Clore Gallery.

● Mr Luke Rittner has been reappointed secretary-general of the Arts Council for a further five years.







Mr Serota at the Whitechapel Gallery yesterday between two paintings by Fernande Leger (Photograph: Julian Herbert).

Norwegian of many names

Expelled conman repeats MI5 tale

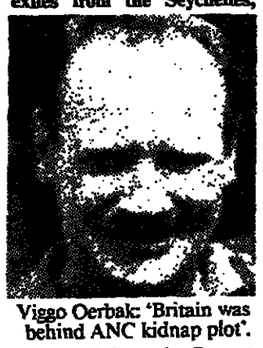
By Michael McCarthy

The Norwegian expelled from England in the wake of the African National Congress kidnap affair made a series of detailed claims in Oslo yesterday that he was an agent for MI5 and MI6.

Mr Viggo Oerbak, a self-confessed conman also known as Frank Larsen, freely admitted to an astonishing career of fraud, forgery and impersonation, but maintained that his membership of Britain's secret services was genuine.

Mr Oerbak was one of four men, charged with plotting to kidnap London members of the ANC, who were discharged last month for lack of evidence.

Labour MPs claimed that the prosecution was dropped because the court would have heard highly embarrassing evidence implicating the British Government in the affair, a tangled intrigue involving not only the alleged kidnap plan but a plot by London-based exiles from the Seychelles,



Viggo Oerbak: 'Britain was behind ANC kidnap plot'.

codenamed Operation Layout, to overthrow the Seychelles' government of President Albert Réné.

Mr Oerbak became a folk-hero in Norway during the 1960s after being expelled from his military academy and embarking on a career as a conman. Among people he claimed to be were:

● A doctor, who gave people prescriptions and even wrote a letter of introduction to a consultant for a man who needed an artificial leg;

● A country policeman, who ordered cruise ships in the fiords to close their bars because they did not have licences;

● A Norwegian army captain who issued himself false travel warrants, promoted himself to major, and gave lectures to ladies' circles;

● A Department of Transport traffic inspector who made spot checks on cars in Oslo; and

● A wildlife service warden who issued fishing permits.

The law caught up with him in 1971, when he was jailed for a year for impersonation, fraud and forgery.

"If anybody wanted to employ him as an agent, for anything, they should have come to us", Inspector Magnar Aukrust, head of Oslo CID, said yesterday, leafing through Mr Oerbak's police file. "We could have told them all about him."

Insp Aukrust intends to interview Mr Oerbak about the Norwegian passport he used to enter Britain in 1982.

"We have no plans to arrest him", he said. "But we want to know a few simple things, like where he is going to live and what he is going to be doing in Norway. We don't want him getting up to his old tricks."

Mr Oerbak himself, who says he is penniless but hopes to make a great deal of money from selling his life story to Norwegian publishers, readily admitted yesterday that he had not always been quite who he said he was.

"I have bluffed and bluffed a lot through my life", he said. "It was an important part of my job as an intelligence officer."

It has been suggested that the South African intelligence services were responsible for the ANC kidnap plot, hoping to score a double success by striking at the ANC and then putting the blame on the Seychelles exiles — thus carrying favour with President Réné, needed as a strategic ally for sanctions-busting.

Mr Oerbak, however, maintains that the British Government was behind it all, at the behest of the Americans.

"I am an agent for MI5 and they have turned their backs on me", he said, claiming that the operation had been directed by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and organized by Mr William Marsden, head of the East African Department. Yesterday the Foreign Office repeated that Mr Marsden had never met Mr Oerbak and knew nothing about his alleged operations.

Mr Oerbak, aged 46, said he had been recruited to British Intelligence by the present head of MI5, Sir Antony Duff, in 1980, when Sir Antony was deputy governor of Rhodesia and Mr Oerbak "in a senior position with Rhodesian military intelligence".

He claimed that he travelled to London several times on a British passport, issued to him by the British Embassy in Pretoria, and met senior members of both MI5 and MI6, including Sir Antony Duff's predecessor at MI5, Sir John Jones.

Scargill cancels trip

By Roland Rudd

Mr Arthur Scargill has cancelled his trip to Australia in the face of growing opposition to his attempt to be re-elected to the presidency of the National Union of Mineworkers.

Mr Scargill's plan to attend a conference of the communist-dominated Miners International Organization in Sydney had been criticized by moderate executive members.

The NUM yesterday said Mr Scargill called off the visit "to deal with the pressing problem at home".

South Wales miners claim that Mr Scargill has breached the union's rules on periodic elections, and a member of the group opposing his re-election believes the national executive's acceptance of Mr Scargill's nomination breaches a conference motion calling for an investigation of changes to the union's rules governing elections.

One South Wales official said: "Until the rules are changed by conference we believe that Mr Scargill is quite out of order in standing".

Other moderate executive members are furious with the executive council's acceptance of Mr Scargill's interpretation of the union's rule that officials who want to stand should resign their posts first.

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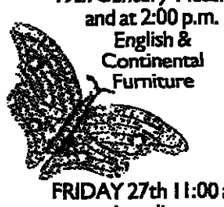
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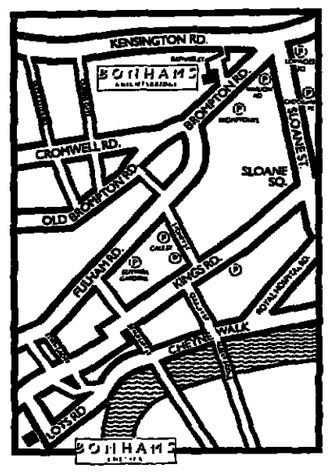


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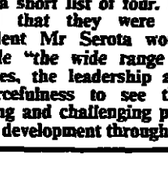


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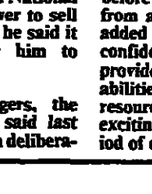
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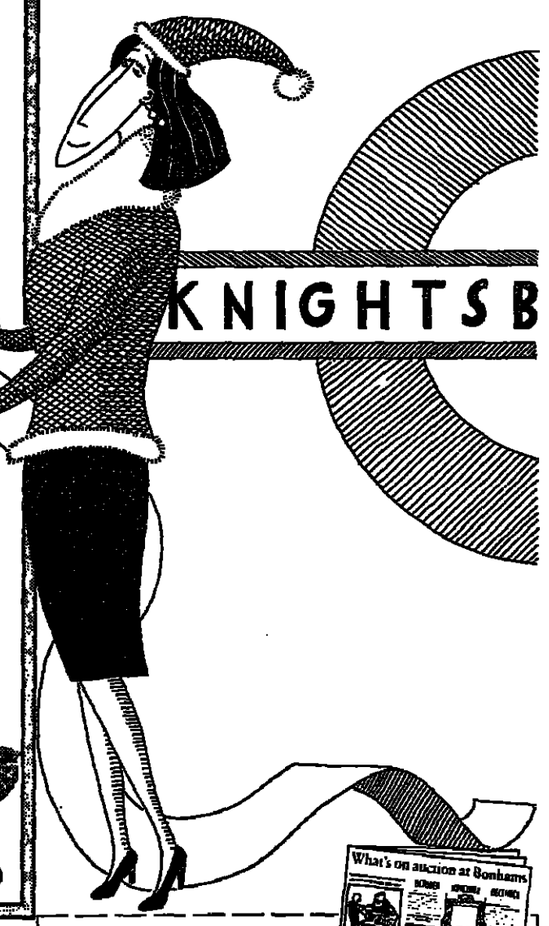
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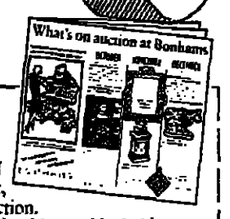
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WORLD SUMMARY

Soviet destroyer in Gulf warning

A Soviet destroyer on escort duty in the Gulf has warned off an Iranian frigate which was menacing a Soviet tanker, the Soviet Army newspaper, *Krasnaya Zvezda*, reported yesterday (Our Foreign Staff writes). The newspaper did not say when the incident took place.

In a separate development yesterday shipping sources said that Iraqi warplanes had attacked a salvage tug, killing a seaman and injuring five others, in one of four air attacks reported on vessels off Iran within the last 24 hours. The tug, the Salviva, is owned by the Singapore-based company Semco. The sources also reported an Iraqi attack on a tanker but could not provide further details.

Meanwhile, a seven-ship convoy of European warships entered the Gulf yesterday to search for mines. The vessels were from Belgium, The Netherlands and Britain.

Gandhi's poll hope

Delhi — The Indian Prime Minister, Mr Rajiv Gandhi, seemed set last night to celebrate his first electoral victory since he was swept to an unprecedented landslide majority three years ago (Michael Hamlyn writes).

Early results of a poll in Nagaland, a mountainous state smaller than Wales with a population about that of Leeds, showed that his Congress (I) party had won 26 of 42 seats declared and was on its way to an overall majority of the 60 seats.

UN team in Sahara

Serious battles have raged this week in the Western Sahara between Moroccan forces and Polisario fighters on the eve of the long-awaited United Nations mission to the area (Susan MacDonald writes).

The UN team, which arrived in Morocco yesterday, will study the possibilities for a referendum on the future of the Moroccan-occupied territory. This will include a visit to the native Sahrawi people's refugee camps in Algeria.

Princess exploited

Moscow — The Princess of Wales, mainly known to Muscovites through the pictures of her frequently displayed outside a British Embassy building here, yesterday made a bizarre and rare appearance illustrating a magazine article about deodorant shortages (Christopher Walker writes).

Rabonitsa (Working Woman), available in factories and via trade unions, described how a plant in the Latvian capital of Riga was now working on manufacturing a range of deodorants. "Yes, but are they on sale?" Princess Diana was made to ask in a caption accompanying a small and poorly reproduced photograph of her.

Paris talks on prices

The Prime Minister is to hold discussions in Paris tomorrow with M Jacques Chirac, the French Prime Minister, in preparation for the European summit meeting in Copenhagen on December 4-5 (Andrew McEwen writes).

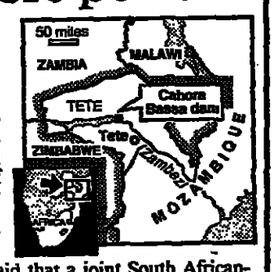
Mrs Thatcher is expected to encourage him to accept proposals for binding controls on the cost of agricultural support. EEC farm ministers this week failed to agree a system of price penalties for over-production.

Defiance in Chile

Santiago — About 200,000 people gathered in the O'Higgins Park here on Thursday night in a show of support for the opposition call for free elections in Chile (Lake Sagaris writes).

But many banners criticized the campaign's division into four distinct committees. This was in part answered by Dr Juan Luis González, head of the broadest opposition group, who said that "without minimum agreements, there will be no democratic outcome."

Bid to restore power



Johannesburg — Mozambique, Portugal and South Africa agreed at the end of a two-day meeting in Pretoria yesterday to try to restore the Cahora Bassa hydro-electric power scheme in north-western Mozambique to full operation before the end of next year (Michael Hornsby writes). The South African Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr Kobus Meiring, who chaired the meeting, said that a joint South African-Mozambican military team would meet within the next two weeks to start work on a plan for protecting the scheme against sabotage by anti-government insurgents in Mozambique, which has cut off power supply since 1983.

The Cahora Bassa dam, built during the last years of Portuguese colonial rule in Mozambique, began commercial operation in 1977, two years after independence.

US finding price of leadership too high

The shadow-boxing on the budget that for the past month has passed for negotiation in Washington has been seen by an increasing number outside the ring as a sorry waste of valuable time.

It is as if all those scrapping in the desultory fray were trying to land punches on favourite targets without hurting themselves, to give an impression of aggression without damaging their election chances.

Democrats have been pounding away on taxes, silently counting on President Reagan's intransigence and Republican opposition to save them from a roll-call vote on raising the rate, a guaranteed vote-loser. The Republicans want to cut social spending without incurring the odium of scrapping programmes for the old and poor.

President Reagan wants to remain a referee on the sidelines, refusing all entreaties to put on gloves and start punching. What they all want, to change the metaphor, is an immaculate conception: a viable budget agreement not apparently sired by any of them. What they strongly resent is the criticism of the spectators, especially those overseas, who are angrily denouncing the failure to get to grips with the issue.

It is hard at the best of times for America's allies to make much impression on the political debate here; it is almost impossible, in the run-up to an election, to influence the way Congress and the White House handle their confrontation on the most intractable issue of the Reagan presidency.

Mrs Thatcher, normally sparing in public advice to Washington, has pulled the emergency cord three times in as many weeks, and there has barely been a jolt of reaction. Her speech to the Lord Mayor's banquet admittedly made the front pages of some newspapers, but only because such tartness from America's most loyal ally was so unusual. But her remarks have not affected the substance of the debate here, and have certainly not changed the President's opposition to raising taxes.

Washington View
By Michael Binyon

Part of the difficulty is that the allies are clamouring for something that it is peculiarly hard for Washington to deliver: international financial leadership. Under the separation of powers decreed by the Founding Fathers, finance is a matter for Congress while international leadership would seem to be a matter of foreign policy, which is the responsibility of the President. When the two are on opposite sides of the party divide, and at a time when the exercise of leadership in the White House is frustrated by the lamest of lame-duck situations, the allies' call is likely to be disappointed. The Wall Street crash does not prompt worry here about the possible effect on other economies; it is seen as a domestic event with domestic repercussions.

Part of the difficulty also is that Americans have become increasingly suspicious of calls to demonstrate "leadership". More and more this translates as a demand on US resources, defence, and even lives, for the benefit of others.

The Middle East impasse, the crisis in the Gulf, the cost of maintaining US forces in Europe, the danger looming in the Philippines — all America's efforts in these areas have been rewarded, many feel, with criticism, ingratitude and a lack of support from the very people calling for US action. Congress sees little reward in protecting Kuwait's shipping, and insists West Germany and Japan do more to pay for the cost of getting their oil safely out of the Gulf. Americans also believe the world, especially Europe and Japan, has taken unfair advantage of US commitment to free trade, and calls for leadership in resisting protectionism are cynically received.

Isolationism has always been a strong undercurrent in US thinking. It surfaced during the speculation a few years ago that US interests were turning away from Europe and focusing instead on the Pacific rim. It has swept back again with the collapse of political self-confidence after the Iran-Contra affair, and the realization that as a superpower the US is less able to influence events

The budget crisis has only emphasized the burdens of leadership, and many find the cost too high. The dues to the United Nations remain unpaid, with a substantial $400 million owing. Washington had to cancel a recent invitation to members of the Organization of American States to hold a conference in the US, as it could not foot the bill. The State Department budget has been cut to the bone, with foreign aid slashed and Americans becoming the paupers of the diplomatic circuit. There are no votes nowadays in altruism, and the State Department budget, though small, is a natural target.

Because of the size of the US market and the influence of Wall Street, the allies regard the US budget and trade deficits — from which they have benefited nicely in the past — as an international problem. But to Americans these are very much domestic issues.

Voters look to the reaction overseas to US defence or foreign policies, but not when their wallets are concerned.

Falling peso stirs wave of panic buying in Mexico

By Charles Bremner

A wave of panic buying has swept Mexico in the two days since the Government withdrew support for the peso and triggered a free-fall in the currency and fears of a new economic collapse.

The poor flocked to the open-air food markets and frenzied middle-class shoppers stripped consumer goods from the shelves of city department stores on Thursday, driven by alarm that inflation — already above 140 per cent — was about to spiral out of control.

Government officials who decided on the drastic currency measure to avert the prospect of possible economic catastrophe have been trying to restrict the chaos with appeals for calm.

Señor Gustavo Petricioli, the Finance Minister, appeared on television on Wednesday evening and on Thursday addressed the National Assembly.

"The well-being of the great majority will not be directly reduced," he said. Opposition politicians called the situation a catastrophe and tried to stop Señor Petricioli speaking.

He sought to allay fears of another economic collapse on the scale of 1982. Mexico is only just recovering from that crisis, which forced it to announce that it could not repay capital on its massive foreign debt. The statement touched off an emergency across the Third World.

The Government of President Miguel de la Madrid is determined to prevent any run on the peso from depleting foreign reserves, which now stand at a healthy $15 billion, as it did in 1982.

As the world's second-largest debtor, Mexico has $103 billion of outstanding loans. The decision to stop spending in order to support one of two peso exchange rates was aimed at quelling a huge demand for American dollars from Mexicans who traditionally place much more trust in the dollar than in their own currency.

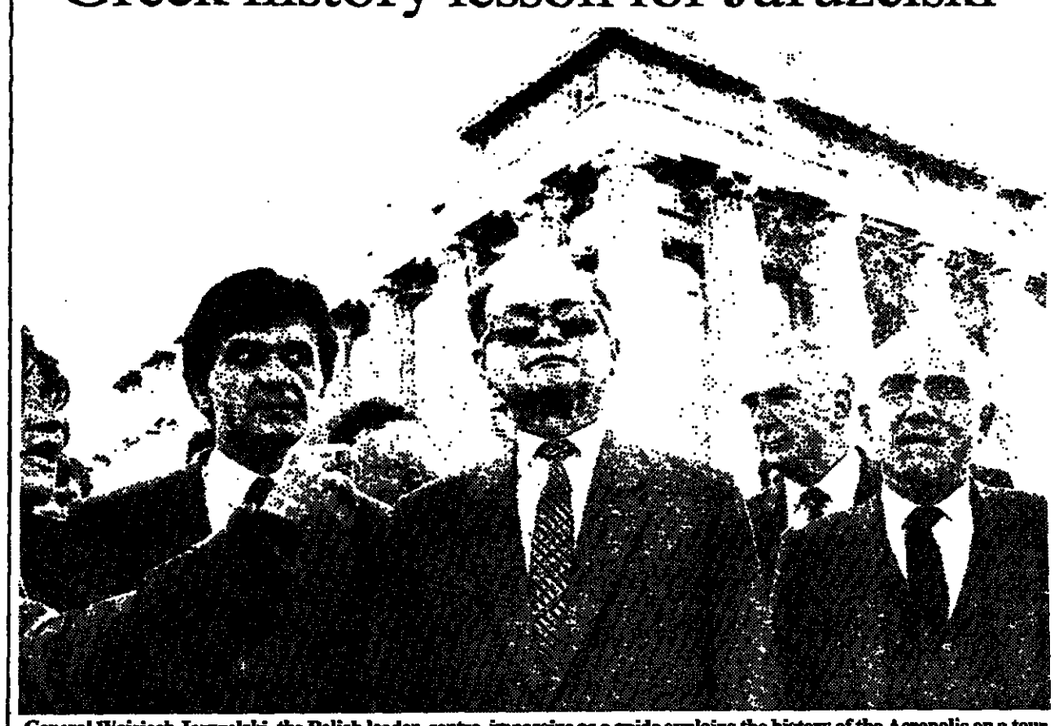
The immediate result was a rush on the banks, which marked down the peso by 33 per cent on Wednesday, at 2,500 to the dollar; officials say the rate should settle a little higher when the panic subsides. The "controlled market" peso, which is used for most exports and imports and is still supported by the Government, is being allowed to slide from its present 1,728 to the dollar.

Señor Petricioli blamed the Mexican stock market in part for the crisis. The market has suffered the wildest gyrations of any in the world this year: it was the fastest-growing until October, and has proved the fastest-falling since Black Monday, October 19.

The collapse of the currency brings a windfall for foreign tourists. Millions of Americans, keen to take advantage of the already low peso, had booked every place in hotels and aircraft weeks ago. Now a visit to the country will be cheaper still.

But the crisis bodes ill for Señor Carlos Salinas de Gortari, the man chosen to take over from Señor de la Madrid after elections next year. Señor Salinas is regarded widely as the architect of Mexico's economic restructuring since 1982.

Greek history lesson for Jaruzelski



General Wojciech Jaruzelski, the Polish leader, centre, impassive as a guide explains the history of the Acropolis on a tour of Athens yesterday. With him at the Parthenon is Mr Filipos Petzainikos, left, the Greek Under-Secretary of Culture.

Fugitive priest disowns Moi plot hoax

From Charles Bremner, New York

A defrocked Kenyan-born preacher, accused by the US Federal Bureau of Investigation of writing a letter that provoked the Kenyan Government to expel 15 American missionaries, said from hiding yesterday: "I am the innocent suspect in a bizarre international hoax."

Mr David Kimweli said from somewhere in the southern United States, where he is trying to avoid the clutches of the FBI and the Immigration Service, that he made the call to *The Atlanta Constitution* newspaper to clear his name.

Kenya expelled the missionaries in two batches this week after newspapers there published a letter appearing to link them with an alleged scheme by the Ku Klux Klan to overthrow the Government of President Moi, as well as those of Zimbabwe, Tanzania and Zambia.

The US State Department dismissed the charges as ludicrous and said that they stemmed from a hoax based on a forgery. The US Embassy in Nairobi called on the Government to explain the facts to the Kenyan people.

The evidence for the coup plot came from a purported Klan fund-raising letter, written on the stationery of the tiny Foscoe Christian Church in Boone, North Carolina.

But the FBI has traced the origin of the letter to Mr Kimweli, who was defrocked as a pastor of the Smoky Mountain church of Sevierville, Tennessee. He has raised millions of dollars in the southern states, supposedly for missionary work in Africa.

The agency suspects that Mr Kimweli wrote the letter as an act of revenge against seven missionaries who complained about him to their home churches after he recruited them on false pretences and sent them to Kenya.

Mr Kimweli said the allegations were false. "I didn't know the missionaries and don't know anything about the Ku Klux Klan." But he said he had shipped 10 tons of clothes from his base in Carrollton, near Atlanta, to the needy in Africa.

Officials of the Smoky Mountain Church were not available for comment. The Rev Kenneth Caswell, the pastor of the Foscoe Church, denied any knowledge of Mr Kimweli, except that he had once preached in Boone.

He said: "The church does not support any missionaries in Africa. We are all quite shocked that a congregation of our size, and particularly in our location, can even be thought of being implicated in something of this magnitude."

● **NAIROBI:** The nine missionaries who were still in Kenya were ordered to come here on Thursday, when they were held for interrogation about their activities in the country before being released to prepare for their departure (Alastair Matheson writes).

Three of them, who are based in Kitale and work for the Associated Christian Churches of East Africa, were identified in the forged memo as among the alleged plotters against the Government.

Melodie kidnap spotlights 'imported' crime

Spaniards demand crackdown on Costa del Sol

From Richard Wigg, Madrid

The successful raid yesterday by Spain's special operations police unit, the "*Geos*", to rescue a little girl from kidnappers has helped to ease Madrid's embarrassment over the intense publicity given these days to the Costa del Sol's crime problem.

Melodie, aged 6, the daughter of the Korean pop and opera singer, Princess Kimera, was snatched from a car taking her to school 12 days ago. A Civil Guard barracks was only 200 yards from where she was being held.

Señor Rafael Vera, the Secretary of State for security matters, acknowledged yesterday the help received from the police of France and other EEC countries.

But the Popular Alliance, the main opposition party, has already demanded that Señor José Barrionuevo, the Interior Minister, should face Parliament on the growing insecurity along Spain's Mediterranean coast. The area has recently attracted top criminals from Europe, including Britain, and the Middle East.

As people from all over Spain sent donations to help to pay the ransom for Melodie, other voices in the region were urging the Government to do more against undesirable foreign elements and to "beef up"



Señor Barrionuevo: War on crime is his responsibility.

the often poorly equipped local police forces.

Every year during Spain's tourist season Madrid orders police reinforcements into the Mediterranean resorts. But apart from defusing bombs planted by Eta, the Basque separatist organization, these police chiefly handle only petty crimes like bag-snatching and assaults. Extradition procedures often prove extremely slow.

The authorities are aware that big sums of "black money", the proceeds of organized crime, have gone into property speculation there. Efforts to combat drug-trafficking has led the Justice Ministry to prepare new legislation which would enable the authorities to seize illegal fortunes on the conviction of the criminals.

Many towns along the Costa del Sol have welcomed foreign investment to generate more prosperity.

Prominent personalities from the Middle East have taken their own private security precautions. But there are signs of growing unease among the foreign community. Prince Alfonso of Hohenlohe was quoted a few days ago contrasting the 300 Rolls-Royce cars owned by the rich in the Marbella area with the three patrol cars of the local police.

Meanwhile a call for a European data bank to which local authorities would have access came yesterday as a conference on fighting Europe's city crime ended in Barcelona.

Expelling cold war from the classroom

From Christopher Thomas
Washington

Eight education specialists from the Soviet Union have just returned home from America, their ears ringing with complaints about bias, indoctrination, historical inaccuracies and blatant lies in Russian school textbooks about life in the United States.

The superpowers quietly held a four-day conference in Wisconsin as part of a "textbook study project" to try remove cultural and historical smears from each other's schoolbooks.

There is tangible progress: Soviet schoolchildren are no longer told that the American pioneers deliberately spread smallpox to kill off Indians.

Mr Howard Mehlinger, the American director of the project and professor of Russian history at Indiana University, said that most concerns on both sides were about "tone, errors of omission and inflammatory statements". The project began in 1977, but was suspended two years later when Soviet troops entered Afghanistan. It started again in 1985 and has suddenly begun to make real progress, doubtless as a result of the *glasnost* policy.

Mr Anatoly Potapov, Health Minister of the Russian Federation, the largest of the 15 Soviet republics, has called in an interview published yesterday for more regulation of psychiatry (Reuter reports from Moscow). His plea comes after criticisms in the Soviet press of psychiatric abuses.

But he warned against sensationalism, saying that some articles on the abuse of psychiatry had fuelled false fears about the extent of the problem. "We must use *glasnost* responsibly," he told the daily *Sovetskaya Rossiya*.

The American team has accepted some Soviet complaints about US history textbooks. Lenin's first name, for example, is often given as Nikolai instead of Vladimir. "We ought to be able to get that right," Professor Mehlinger acknowledged. "We would be insulted if they talked about Thomas Washington and George Jefferson."

After the Wisconsin conference the two teams of specialists issued a report saying that history and geography textbooks in each other's countries use emotional language that does little to foster understanding.

One key difference is that many books are available in the US to teach a single subject, but there is only one book for each subject and school grade in the Soviet Union. Any single book's distortion of American life therefore has a national impact.

The Soviet complaints include: American textbooks treat the October Revolution as a coup by a small band of Bolshevik extremists, ignoring the long and huge build-up of opposition to the Tsarist and Kerensky regimes by peasants and workers.

US texts ignore the Soviet Union's economic growth and the comparatively low cost of food, transport, rents and basic consumer goods; US books give insufficient recognition to extraordinary Soviet victories and sacrifices in World War Two.

The main US complaints are: Soviet textbooks ignore the importance of religion in American thought; poverty, violence, theft, alcoholism and racism are described as being confined to capitalism; the term "imperialist" is applied without distinction to Nazi Germany, Fascist Italy, Imperial Japan and the United States.

The American role in defeating Hitler is played down and distorted and the Japanese are said to have surrendered in response to the Soviet entry into the Pacific war on August 8, 1945; an account of the American blockade of Cuba fails to mention it was in response to the introduction of Soviet missiles into Cuba.

Depictions of race relations are out-of-date and distorted. A textbook for 11-year-olds declares: "Negro children are not allowed in white schools nor on streetcars and buses, and in restaurants and cafes it is often possible to see the shameful sign 'Whites only'."

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India orders ceasefire as peace lure to Tamil Tigers

From Michael Hamlyn, Delhi

India yesterday declared a 48-hour ceasefire in the battle against the guerrilla fighters of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam in the north and east of Sri Lanka.

The Indians, plainly encouraged by the the release on Thursday of 18 members of their peacekeeping force who had been captured by the Tigers, declared the ceasefire in the hope that the Tamils would lay down their arms in the period.

Mr Kanwar Natwar Singh, Minister of State in the Foreign Ministry, made the announcement of the ceasefire in the Lok Sabha, the lower house of the Indian Parliament, and expressed the hope that the Tigers would now support unequivocally the Indo-Sri Lankan peace agreement in the larger interest of Sri Lanka's Tamils.

"For our part," he said, "we continue to be firm in our resolve to implement in its totality the Indo-Sri Lankan agreement."

His announcement was cheered by both sides of the House, where there has been growing unease, reaching outright hostility from the opposition benches, about the continuing anti-Tiger campaign by the Indian forces.

The minister told the House that people in the areas liberated by the Indians from the Tigers' control were "beginning to emerge from their nightmare" and were coming forward to point out caches of arms to the Indian forces.

"Perhaps realizing that they no longer represent the wishes of the people, numbers of Tigers personnel have become disillusioned and there have been indications that increasing numbers of Tigers cadres now realize that there is no future in a continued and futile confrontation with the Indian peacekeeping force," he said.

Thursday's release by the Tamil Tigers of the 18 captured Indian soldiers, Mr Natwar Singh said, "is a positive development and a vindication of the policy followed by government of firmness, coupled with a willingness to keep the door open for negotiations.

"A number of well-meaning people who have been in touch with the Tigers' leadership believe that the Tigers need a little time to hand over their weapons and declare their support for the Indo-Sri Lankan agreement. These sentiments have been echoed in the House," he added.

Mubarak soft-pedals anniversary of Jerusalem visit

Hushed return by Egypt into the Arab family

From Robert Fisk
Cairo

If ever a prodigal was welcomed back into the family home, Egypt's return to Arab respectability has been among the least dramatic and most discreetly observed events in Cairo since the late President Sadat put his signature to the Camp David peace treaty with Israel.

Over the past seven days, the national flags of 14 Arab nations — and the banner of the PLO — have been raised over embassies and consulates in Cairo, but there has been little comment in the Egyptian press, and even fewer statements from government officials, on Egypt's resumption of ties with its neighbours.

The reasons are not difficult to define. Millions of Egyptians continued to work in other Arab countries during the years of isolation since the Camp David treaty in 1978, while Saudi Arabia and Kuwait continued to support Egypt's floundering economy even though their embassies were officially closed.

For eight years the Saudi Embassy operated as an interests section under Pakistan's flag, but hundreds of Egyptians queued there each day for visas to work in Riyadh or Jeddah. They were there again this week, applications in hand. Only the flag above the building had changed.

While the flags of the 14 Arab countries have been run up, with varying degrees of ceremony, Egypt has continued this past week — with equal discretion — to maintain, and even to improve, its links with Israel, albeit without a return to the normalized relations which existed before the Israeli invasion of Lebanon in June, 1982.



Ten years after meeting Sadat, Mr Menachem Begin, the former Israeli Prime Minister, making a rare public appearance in Jerusalem yesterday. With his daughters Lea, left, and Hasia, he visited the grave of his wife, who died in 1982.

Mr Mustapha Khalil, the former Egyptian Prime Minister who travelled to Jerusalem with Sadat in 1977, for example, has just returned from Israel where he was hobnobbing with the Israeli Prime Minister, Mr Yitzhak Shamir, and discussing past diplomatic achievements with Israeli officials on the 10th anniversary of Sadat's trip.

This week Israeli Army Radio — once the principal communications medium for Israeli troops fighting against Egypt's frontline troops in the 1973 war in Sinai — was actually transmitting peace songs from the studios of Cairo radio, where for decades Egyptian broadcasters beamed anti-Israeli and sometimes blatantly anti-semitic propaganda around the world.

Israelis and Egyptians broadcast commemorative one-hour programmes from the Hebrew-language section of the Egyptian State Radio headquarters on the Nile.

The gentle, two-handed Egyptian approach to both its Arab neighbours and to Israel is the work of President Hosni Mubarak, who realized even before Sadat's assassination that his predecessor's arrogant attacks on other Arab nations — including Saudi Arabia — were both spiteful and counter-productive.

Sadat had, as a matter of routine, branded Colonel Gaddafi "that mad kid in Libya", and had blatantly accused Saudi Arabia of having bribed Morocco to break diplomatic relations with Egypt. Mr Mubarak has never expressed anger at any Arab leader — except, obliquely, at Mr Yassir Arafat, the PLO chairman — and even visited Saudi Arabia in 1982, at the height of the Arab boycott of Egypt, to offer condolences on the death of King Khaled.

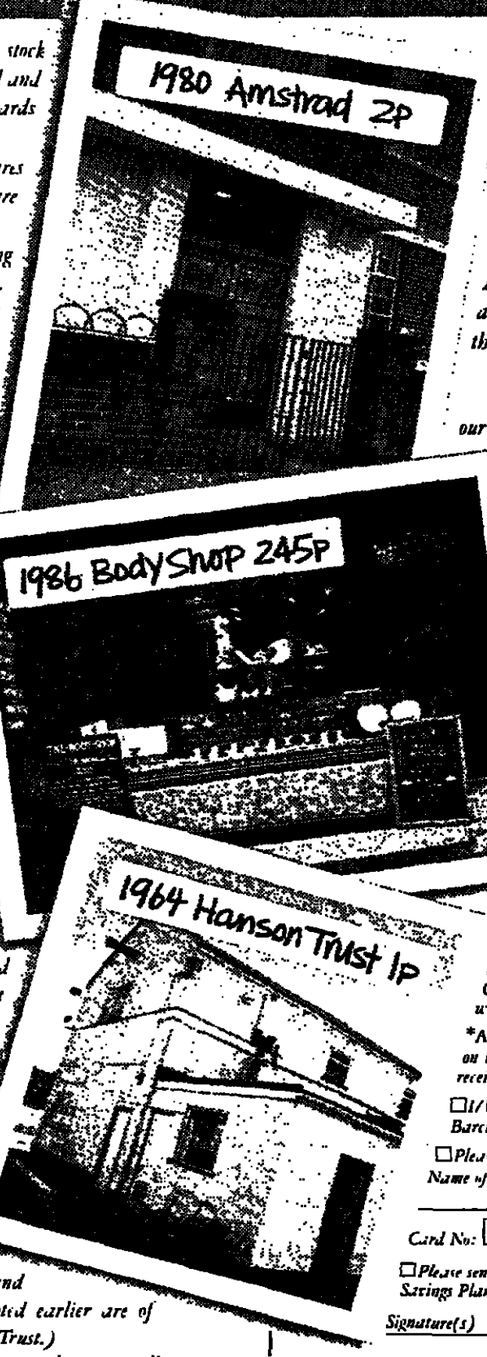
Mr Mubarak has quietly welcomed the resumption of relations with the Arabs, pointing out that Arab unity would survive "unburdened by those who broadcast denunciations."

He was referring to Libya and Syria who — together with South Yemen, Tunisia, Algeria and Lebanon (where Syria's political influence is too powerful to allow an independent Lebanese policy on Egypt) — have so far refused to reopen their embassies in Cairo.

It was a spokesman for the Egyptian Muslim Brotherhood, a party which is still theoretically illegal but in fact tolerated here, who most neatly encapsulated the hypocrisy of the last eight years. "The isolation was among governments, not people," he said. "We are accustomed to conflicts among leaders who rule according to their individual views."

In fact, these conflicts began to fade when Iranian victories in the Gulf War threatened to break the Iraqi front lines and to engulf the oil states of the Middle East. Egypt's 51 million people and its army of almost 500,000 men are an obvious reserve of Arab manpower should the Iraqi Army collapse — many thousands of Egyptians have actually served in President Saddam Hussein's forces — and once Iran laid siege to Basra last year the return to Arab hearts of the Egyptian prodigal was inevitable.

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Socialist Vietnam upholds the torch of free enterprise

From David Watts, Ho Chi Minh City

Mr Le Cong Thanh cuts an unlikely figure for a socialist factory manager, as he puffs away on a huge water-pipe in the office above his small workshop.

Like many things in a country which is shedding elements of socialism by the day, Mr Thanh is not quite what he seems. His bright-eyed enthusiasm for his work sets him apart from the party bureaucrats whose dogmatic doctrinaire attitudes have been a serious drag on the Vietnamese economy.

To most people, his family firm, which turns out torches, looks like good, old-fashioned capitalism in action. But he hastens to point out that managers in his company will not get rich while his 1,000 employees, working at home around the city, remain poor. Profits are shared between himself, the state and his employees. In periods when he cannot give his far-flung staff raw materials, he guarantees them 70 per cent of their normal earnings in a city of rampant unemployment.

Petty capitalism or not, Mr Thanh's pioneering efforts and obvious success have caught the attention of the Communist Party of Vietnam and provide a model for party cadres wanting to free the private sector from the morass of bureaucratic controls and the concentration on inappropriate heavy industry that have helped bring the Vietnamese economy to its knees.

But it is a measure of the country's backwardness, even in its more prosperous southern half, that his exuberance today is thanks not to an export order for anything sophisticated but to the fact that the Poles want a million of his simple but effective generator torches, which operate without batteries. He cannot hope to meet the order with his present capacity — but will produce what he can — and even then the Poles will pay not in hard currency but will barter raw materials.

His £1.15 torch is already a best-seller in Vietnam and, he boasts, "the American equivalent has one-sixth the power and costs three times as much". Exactly a year before *The Times* visited Mr Thanh's small workshop, he was given official approval — thanks to a visit by Mr Nguyen Van Linh, Secretary-General of the Communist Party of Vietnam, who has allowed the breeze of private enterprise to put some life back into the country.

In a message in Mr Thanh's visitors' book, Mr Linh noted that the manager of the Binh Minh (Rising Sun) torch company was not even a party member — adding an exclamation mark, although he was probably not really surprised, since no one knows better that rigid party policies and the dearth of new ideas since the end of the Vietnam War in 1975 have largely been responsible for the stagnation.

Mr Linh wrote: "He has the right idea not only about torches but about the new way of thinking that is very much in line with the new policies of the party. So I hope Thanh's model will help to create more jobs for the people of the city and will be applied nationally." The fact that Vietnam exports only about £7.50 per capita every year while neighbouring Thailand, with similar resources, can manage some £1,150 is testimony to the ineptitude of the party's economic policies since 1975.

Foreign boycotts have made the going even more difficult. At one point Mr Thanh sold everything in his house. His wife, who owns the company, and their four children slept on the floor. He, like so many other state employees, was forced into his new business by the necessity to make extra money to support his family.

Not being a party member and having no access to state supplies, he could not obtain raw materials officially. The only source was official cast-offs from state concerns. But now his success has vindicated him; he has written a hand-book on private enterprise and has been approached by the party theoretical journal for an article.

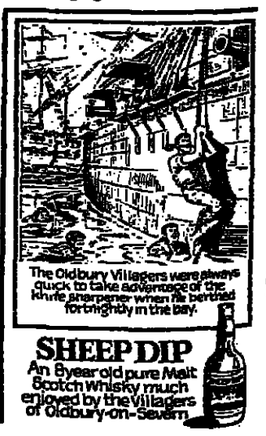


Mr Le Cong Thanh

"The socialism we had was . . . not a real socialism . . . It was a crime to let the country be so impoverished"

"Sixteen state-level institutions tried to develop this torch, including the military, but they all failed. It proves very clearly that a country like Vietnam, though socialist, must permit different economic sectors to exist to produce as many products for the society as possible," he said.

What the country had was "a formal socialism . . . a kind of imposition which impoverished the production forces. I told Linh it was a crime to let the country be so impoverished." Although the party now recognizes that, it will take a great many Mr Thanhs to get the economy moving again.



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Scandal in Norway

Resignations from state oil company rescue Government

From A Correspondent, Oslo

Surprise resignations yesterday from the board of Statoil, the state-owned oil company, saved Norway's minority Labour Government from a crushing defeat in Parliament over its handling of the biggest industrial scandal in the country's history.

Calls to sack the president and the board of the company came after revelations that building work at Statoil's *Mongstad refinery* was £490 million over budget.

An investigation by the Auditor-General suggested that Statoil made calculated efforts to cover up the cost overruns by failing to inform its board, the Oil Minister, Mr Arne Oien and Parliament.

But following the surprise resignation of six of the eight board members of Statoil opposition pressure mounted for the remaining top management and the company president to follow suit.

Mr Oien told a press conference here yesterday that he had received letters of resignation from six of the board, including Statoil's chairman, Mr Inge Johansen.

But he said Mr Johansen and two colleagues will be asked to remain until a new board is appointed next week.

Mr Per Kristian Foss, Conservative industry spokesman, said the natural conclusion will now be for the new board to sack the controversial Statoil president, Mr Arve Johnsen, and the remaining top management.

He added that the Opposition would not be pressing for Mr Oien's resignation.

*The minister told journal*ists that the important thing now was to restore confidence in Statoil by getting a "new and competent board".

Mr Foss told *The Times* before yesterday's surprise *resignations that he was* "optimistic" that the Government would comply with opposition demands.

Although the scandal first came to light in September, the investigation showed that *the company lost control of* the project in June, 1985, when it was already £145 million over budget.

Mr Oien was informed only in early August about the cost overruns and he has been criticized for failing to check on costs of the project.

The minister has called the scandal a "massive technical misjudgement" by Statoil.

However, Mr Oien added that the damage would be *compounded by the immedi*ate resignation of Mr Johnsen, the company's president.

"In spite of this rather sorry mess, if you evaluate his total work he has done a fairly good job," Mr Oien said.

In a White Paper published last week Mr Oien was highly *critical of Statoil and the* company's failure to recognize and report early signs that costs were increasing.

When Statoil board members met on Thursday, *they* declared they would not resign *over the affair.* Yesterday's developments therefore surprised observers.

"We thought it was right to resign so that a new board can assess the affair and the company's leadership," Ms *Toril Lundestad, who is the* only woman on the board, told NTB, the Norwegian news agency.

Ready to rid world of chemical arms



Mr Yuri Nazarkin, left, a Soviet arms negotiator at Geneva, and his US counterpart, Mr Max Friedersdorf, having gas masks fitted while visiting a chemical weapons stockpile in Utah where they examined facilities for destroying the weapons.

Botha's blacked-up troops

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

Whites in the South African Defence Force (SADF) have been operating inside southern Angola with blacked faces and dressed in uniforms of the Angolan rebel movement, Unita, according to the family of a South African who recently completed National Service.

The unit most involved in these deception tactics is believed to be the 32nd Battalion, which specializes in guerrilla warfare. It operates out of the Caprivi Strip area of South African-occupied Namibia, which shares a border with southern Angola.

It is not possible to identify the source of this information, as all National Servicemen have to sign a legal document *binding them to secrecy about* what they do, see or learn while in the SADF.

Asked for comment, a military spokesman in Pretoria said yesterday it was "not policy to comment on unsubstantiated claims about the SADF".

The 32nd Battalion consists mainly of disaffected black Angolans who formerly belonged to the now defunct FNLA (National Front for the Liberation of Angola) guerrilla faction of Mr Holden Roberto. *It is officered by white* South Africans and some former Rhodesians and Portuguese. Some of the Rhodesians were once members of the Rhodesian Selous Scouts, who were well known for their *tactic of posing as anti-govern*ment guerrillas.

Meanwhile, in Windhoek, the capital of Namibia, the South West Africa Territory Force disclosed yesterday that 47 members of its 202nd Battalion were discharged at the end of last month for "failing to comply with military standards".

● ***Photographer expelled:*** South Africa said yesterday that it was expelling David Turnely, an American news photographer, accusing him of sending "biased photo material" overseas (Reuter reports *from Johannesburg*).

The Government said Mr *Turnley, who works for the* *Detroit Free Press*, must leave the country when his work permit expires on November 30. He is the 11th foreign newsman to be expelled since President Botha declared *emergency rule in June, 1986.*

5 million face Ethiopia famine

By Paul Vallely

Official reports from several sources, including the United Nations and the European Community, have confirmed the warning given by the Ethiopian Government two *months ago that a new famine* is looming in Ethiopia.

It is now predicted that 5.2 million people will be severely hit by widespread crop losses, which in some areas will be worse than those leading to *the great famine of 1984-1985* in which up to a million people died.

Famine had not been expected *this year, since the* early rains proved good, but the main rains have failed entirely. In Tigrè, centre of the last famine, the rains are the lowest recorded for more than 10 years, according to Mr *Tamerat Kebede, the head of* the international department of the Ethiopian Government's relief body, who is on a visit to London to appeal for more aid.

Already groups of hungry people have begun to move to the centres which became the refugee camps of *1985. In* many local markets grain *prices have risen by up to 200* per cent, while prices for livestock have dropped by half — a sure index of imminent food shortage. The situation can only get worse. No harvest can be expected in much of *Eritrea, Tigrè, Wollo and* Northern Shoa until the summer of 1988.

"The situation is preventable. We still have *the infra*structure, the experienced people and most of the trucks working from the last famine. We are trying to move what is left in our food-reserve stock to the hungry, so that they will stay at home and not collect in the shelters. But our food stocks will be exhausted by December," Mr Tamerat said.

Ethiopia has appealed for 939,000 tonnes of grain and 108,000 tons of fortified food and edible oil, which are used to make the high-energy food used to treat malnourished children. It has also asked for £37 million for port handling and internal transport.

So far the international community has been prompt in its response, though many Western countries continue to *follow a policy of denying* long-term aid to Ethiopia because of its controversial policies of resettlement and agricultural collectivization. *These are commonly con*demned in the West as being at best inefficient and at worst techniques to increase the Marxist Government's control over the ordinary people.

Britain this week announced an additional £2 million in emergency aid for an airlift of food to Tigrè. The EEC on Thursday allocated £7 million for the air-bridge, internal transport and water tanks, drugs, tents and blankets for refugee camps.

On Wednesday Unicef, the UN children's fund, issued an appeal to Western governments for $22 million (£12.5 million) for drugs, clean-water equipment and high-energy foods to combat the dehydration and disease which were the main killers in 1984-1985. Ms Moira Hart, the head of Unicef's emergency section, this week visited the UN emergency warehouses in Copenhagen to ensure that supplies would be available as soon as government donations were pledged.

So far, however, the level of food aid pledged will meet less than a quarter of the total need. Mr Tamerat was none *the less optimistic.* "So far the response has been good, but it has to continue," he said. If it did not, then 1988 in Ethiopia could create scenes to rival those of 1985.

In the longer term, Mr Tamerat said, Ethiopia needed Western governments to use their influence with bodies like the World Bank to provide the soft loans without which proper development could never take place. Monitoring by US government representatives of past loans had shown that they were generally used with great efficiency, he added.

About 60 per cent of those affected are in Eritrea, Tigrè and Wollo, where guerrilla wars between government forces and rebels make distribution of food more difficult. The US has appealed to both sides to let food convoys pass unhindered.

OAU seeks debt relief

Addis Ababa (Reuter) — The Organization of African Unity yesterday urged Western creditor nations to emulate the "positive measures" taken by Britain, Canada and Scandinavian states to relieve Africa's burden of debt.

Mr Ahmed Haggag, the OAU assistant secretary-general for economic affairs, told African financial experts here that he appreciated recent measures taken by these governments to cancel or reduce the debts of African countries. "We would strongly urge that this positive gesture be emulated by the rest of the creditor countries and institutions, so that the international community becomes poised to negotiate a more viable international strategy on Africa's external debt." External debt is expected to reach £144 billion by 1990.

Besieged Ershad hints at early poll

Dhaka (Reuter) — President *Ershad of Bangladesh, facing a* strong opposition challenge after six years of power, told police officials here yesterday that he would consider an early election to defuse the wave of protests against his Government.

He accused a foreign broadcasting company of distortions in its coverage of *opposition protests. He did* not name the company, but his aides said it was the BBC.

Press charges

Taipei (AFP) — Lee Yung-teh, a Taiwanese newspaper reporter, and his employer have been charged over an unprecedented visit to China for a series of articles in defiance of a 38-year-old government ban on visits to the mainland, court officials said.

Spoilt broth

Rome (AFP) — Archaeologists have uncovered a kitchen at *Palatine, apparently aban*doned in haste during the fire which raged in Nero's Rome in AD 64. One of several big terracotta ovens still had a cooking pot on it.

French blast

Wellington (Reuter) — France has tested a nuclear device at Mururoa atoll three times more powerful than the bomb which devastated Hiroshima, according to Dr Warwick *Smith, a New Zealand govern*ment seismologist.

Berlin attack

Berlin (AP) — A West Berlin man shot and injured a couple in East Berlin, *prompting East* Germany to condemn "robbery and murder" coming from the West. The man was arrested when he tried to drive back to West Berlin.

Toxic cloud

Hamburg (Reuter) — A cloud *of gases thought to contain* sulphur and acid escaped from a chemical works here, giving about 100 people painful eyes and minor irritations, city authorities said.

Rust display

Paris (AP) — The Cessna 172 aircraft in which Herr Mathias Rust landed in Moscow's Red Square in May has been put on display at Le Bourget airport outside Paris.



Nose-to-nose: Mr Bob Hawke, right, the Australian Prime Minister, greeted in the traditional way by Sir Robert Love, a Maori chief, in Wellington at the start of his four-day visit.

Aboriginal deaths uproar in Senate

From Keith Dalton, Sydney

Thirty Aborigines were ejected from the Australian Senate in Canberra yesterday after they invaded the public gallery to protest against the number of deaths of Aborigines in police custody — *estimated to have* reached 100 in seven years.

Mr Gerry Hand, *the Min*ister for Aboriginal Affairs, had complained that many of the deaths could have been avoided if local government and police authorities had acted more quickly on recommended changes concerning the arrest and imprisonment of Aborigines.

Justice James Muirhead, *who heads a commission of* inquiry into the deaths, has called the problem a crisis and pleaded for immediate action.

In the week since he began his long-awaited investigation, three more Aborigines have died in prison — two apparently hanged themselves and the other is *thought* to have been strangled and hoisted on to a noose *tied to his cell door,* in an incident made to look like suicide.

Justice Muirhead's investigation could last a year while he tours the country visiting the scenes of each death and interviewing relatives, some of whom were among those who demonstrated inside the Parliament building.

He said yesterday: "Australia cannot, and must not, wait *on my reports,* interim or otherwise, to act to put an end to this appalling situation. I cannot, as an individual, shoulder the task of inquiry if I have in the back of my anxious mind that this country is *waiting for my recommenda*tions before acting decisively. I cannot accept that burden."

In August, when the Prime Minister, Mr Bob Hawke, announced the inquiry after four years of lobbying by *Aboriginal militants,* 44 "suicides" had been reported throughout the country.

In the three months it took to set up the commission, the total had risen to 64. A week later it was 67. "But it is worse than that," Mr *Muirhead* said. "Reports coming into our *commission lead our staff to* expect that at least 80 deaths — and possibly 100 — will call for consideration."

Investigators say that most Aboriginal deaths since 1980 have involved young men, many of them arrested for minor offences when drunk.

Letter from New York

Chic harvest of couch potatoes

With their unerring in*stinct for a trend,* the marketing people of Madison Avenue are leaping to exploit America's exciting new lifestyle — staying at home and watching television.

This is the winter of the "couch potato", the person who indulges in the chic pastime of lounging around, doing nothing more strenuous than slotting a video into the machine or receiving a home-delivery pizza.

Across the country, manufacturers and advertisers are striving to satisfy the desires of this swelling army of stay-at-homes who have thrown away their jogging shoes and want nothing more than to "cocoon", as the professional trend-analysts call it, with their partner or a video.

The toy of the season, being *promoted as the successor to* the Cabbage Patch dolls of recent years, is the $35 (about £20) "couch potato pal", a stuffed potato-shaped cushion for "the lounging spud in your life". For the well-heeled stay-at-home, *magazines are hawk*ing the couch potato down comforter, the ultimate cocooning aid. The advertisements show a sophisticated couple *snuggling on the sofa* for a heavy evening's video watching, wrapped in what looks like an oversized duvet.

It does not take the million-dollar services of a trend-spotting firm like New York's Brain Reserve Inc — which claims to have been first to *identify the craze — to see* what is going on. The couch potato is the latest fad of the demographically powerful baby-boom generation.

After drugs, rock 'n' roll and sex in the 1960s, and self-improvement and money-making in the 1970s and 1980s, the older postwar generation is at last growing up, getting married and having children. And as with *everything else it has done,* from sex to aerobic walking, it claims to have invented a phenomenon.

Every generation gets married but laser discs, computers, cable television — and the video-cassette recorder, in particular — have made this the most supine generation ever, say the sociologists. The VCR, as it is known here, now inhabits more than half of the nation's *households and has* overtaken all forms of live entertainment, including the cinema.

According to a recent survey, one-third of all Ameri*cans choose television as their* preferred entertainment, and the number of people who gave "resting, relaxing" as their favourite activity had doubled since a 1974 poll.

"It seems people have been *buckling under the pressure of* an overactive lifestyle," said Mr Ricky Gordon, a typical Manhattan potato quoted in a New York magazine feature which proclaimed the practice as "the new nightlife".

"Now it's considered cool to stay at home, not do drugs and go to sleep early." A contradiction, it may seem, but Madison Avenue is trying hard to confer glamour on potatoism. In a commercial for ginger ale, for example, a *sultry young* woman reminisces about her *previous nightlife and fantasy* men. Her husband enters and she tells him languidly: "We're staying at home again." The implication is that *this is the more exciting* alternative.

Cocooning also threatens a business upheaval. Restaurants, discos and nightclubs in Manhattan are already feeling the pinch. One fashionable *club, the Tunnel, is trying to* counter it with a Club Couch Potato on Tuesday nights. It provides sofas, television sets and TV dinners. Nell's, the hottest nightspot over the past year, says it deliberately chose a cosy décor to woo potatoes.

On the other side, the home delivery food business, supplying *everything from sushi to* pizza, is enjoying a huge boom *in the big cities.* So is the furniture and bathroom fitting trade.

Ms Faith Popcorn, head of Brain Reserve, is telling the market that the tastes of the new sofa generation are veering back to the hearty and traditional. "We've blanded out. Down with white things, be they wines or veal, and up *with beef.*" Also aiming at spud chic is the couch potato game, *selling in* department stores for Christmas. In January a Hyatt hotel in Chicago is to hold a couch potato convention.

The new trend has even sparked its own litigation. Mr Robert Armstrong, a California cartoonist, says that he invented the phrase and is fighting to preserve the copyright of his *brainchild.* Its motto, he says, is "couchland, *couchland tuber alles.*"

Charles Bremner

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Pointe to points

Tim-Mark Bradbury is one of rugby's more unusual players: he is also a ballet dancer. The 18-year-old Bradbury, 5ft 9in and a chunky 12 stone, is hooker – one of the less effete positions on the pitch – for Lancashire Colts. After his present ballet course in Oldham he plans to go to drama school in London and play for a top rugby club at the same time. "I don't see much conflict between the two interests," he says. "In fact ballet calls for upper body strength, which is a great help in rugby. That doesn't stop my mates at the rugby club taking the mickey, though." Well, I expect fellow engineers took the mickey out of Leonardo for painting pictures of women. Renaissance men always have a hard time, especially in Oldham.

Sent packing

Sport will figure prominently in the Australian Bicentenary next year. But there was some slight twitchiness when an England v Australia rugby union match was scheduled for the same day in the same city as Great Britain v Australia rugby league. It was the union men who had to back down and switch their match to a Sunday.

Buy gum

Baseball people are every bit as sentimental as cricket lovers. While Englishmen collect cricketana, Americans love bubble gum baseball cards. Did you know that a 1952 Topps bubblegum Mickey Mantle card in mint condition now fetches more than $4,000? New cards are collected as avidly as the old: one bubblegum mogul said: "It's a market all to itself. It has been so high for four years we've been expecting it to peak and level off, but every two or three months it goes up again." Never mind investing in Wall Street: the wise man sticks to bubble gum.

● **Fascinating fact: did you know that England footballlers get two shirts for every match – one to keep and one to swap?**

Kicking it

A good number of football clubs were approached to play a team of former drug addicts, but only Fiorentina responded. Their opponents included men who had been with Real Madrid, Barcelona and Monaco. One, Lucien Egelmeyer, had turned to drugs in despair after an injury ended his career. After this "There but for the grace of God" game, the Florentines were much moved: "How splendid," said Berti, a midfielder. "At last we have done something important."

BARRY FANTONI



'Of course, there'd be more incentive to win if they fill it up'

Unforgettable

No-hopers apart, this week's England cricket goat team – provided by Oliver Wise – consists mainly of players responsible for one or more memorable disaster. It reads: 1. G. Boycott, for his slowmo 246 in 1967 and for his running between the wickets; 2. T.E. Bailey, ideal opening partner for Sir Geoffrey; 3. M.W. Gatting, for his double dismissal when padding up in 1984; 4. G.G. Hearne, who played in only one Test: a duck, no catches, did not bowl; 5. J.E.P. McMaster, ditto; *6. I.T. Botham – "the obvious captain"; 7. G.O.B. Allen, for his over in the 1934 Old Trafford Test against Australia: 13 balls, including three wides and four no balls; 8. J.A. Snow, for shoulder charging Gavaskar in 1971: †9. E. Pooley, who missed the first ever Test match in 1877 because he was in jail in New Zealand; 10. F.W. Tate, in memory of the day in 1902 when England lost to Australia by three runs; he dropped a vital catch and was last man out; 11. E. Peate, whose disastrous innings helped create the Ashes: England lost the Oval Test in 1882 by seven runs with Peate attempting to hit for victory, despite the superiority of his partner. As Mr Wise remarks: "This is in fact a pretty formidable team". Indeed yes, and a tenner on the way for your selection.

Numbers game

French rugby league men have long been forbidden to call their game *Rugby à Treize*, because the union game is always known as *Rugby à Quinze*. They have always had to call it *Jeu à Treize* instead. But now they have won a high court case, and at last have permission to call rugby "rugby". It only took 53 years.

Art outbid by avarice

by Brian Sewell

The idea of giving trustees the right to sell the unwanted and unloved contents of their museums and galleries is seductive. It clears the clutter from cellars, reduces the curatorial burden, relieves conservators of the need to care for things that will never be seen, reduces costs and liabilities, and produces the funds for wiser purchases. With the assurances of Richard Luce, the Arts Minister, that the right to sell will never apply to gifts and bequests, who can argue against this sweetly reasonable proposal?

On June 6, 1958, Christie's held an auction of 175 lots of pictures and drawings discarded by The Lady Lever Art Gallery, Port Sunlight. They were by artists long out of fashion and thought likely to stay so. Only one painting, a still life by Fantin-Latour, was expected to inspire serious bidding, and that was included as a douceur to make the rest of the sale worthwhile; at 9,000 guineas it accounted for more than half the sale total of £18,428.

The Burne-Jones drawings were lotted in twos and fours to get the bids into double figures; his two paintings sold for 30 and 45 guineas apiece. The Alma-Tadema reached 230, and the Lord Leighton – a sketch for "Cimabue's Madonna" in the royal collection – a mere 110 guineas. Major paintings by Millais, Watts and Richard Wilson crept into three figures, but Solomon J. Solomon and Ford Madox Brown were to be had for two.

Within 10 years the market for all these painters was rising fast; within less than a generation all have been the subjects of doctoral theses, monographs or major exhibitions – even Port Sunlight's remaining Victorian pictures have been on show at the Royal Academy. All these painters are now accounted important in both intellectual and market terms – the last Fantin-Latour at Christie's made £1,500,000, and for the English painters high six-figure sums are common.

The Port Sunlight sale demonstrates the folly of shedding possessions when the whimsical cycle of taste has plunged them into disrepute – sold at the bottom of the market, they realize no worthwhile money to be applied to replacement purchases.

It is not, however, the business of trustees to reflect fickle popular taste. Galleries and museums are, like libraries, repositories of scholarship and must hold works for reference. It is the duty of curators to collect representative examples of everything that is perceived to be within their cure, whether they like it or not, and for their holdings to be encyclopaedic.

No national collection should follow the pattern of the private collector, pruning, swapping, subject to impulse and sudden change of interests. It may now be the duty of national collections to increase the numbers flowing through their doors, but not at a cost to future clients whose interests they are, for short-sighted gain, no longer able to satisfy.

Last year the Tate Gallery was asked to lend a painting by Theodore Roussel to the centenary exhibition of the New English Art Club; after some prevarication over its neglected state and the difficulty of withdrawing from store in Acton, the gallery complied. The work is a magnificent female nude that astonishingly anticipates the work of Coldstream and Uglow, yet within living memory it has been on view in the Tate for only three months, and is in essence an ideal picture for disposal. Without that exhibition to draw attention to it, the Tate might well, under the minister's provisions, have shed it for a few hundred pounds instead of the many thousands at which outside experts must now value it. But the real issue is that the Tate underestimates not its financial worth, but its aesthetic and historical values.

Trustees, increasingly appointed for political reasons when the BEMs run out, more often than not have neither the scholarship nor the experience to manage a museum. Their ignorance may not matter if they see themselves as a drag anchor to maintain the status quo, but if they see themselves instead as business managers putting into effect the policies of a government of any shade, they may ride rough-shod over aesthetic and intellectual considerations and do irreparable damage to the nation's heritage.

The minister's proposals do not apply to gifts and bequests, yet it is in this area that galleries are likely to have unworthy objects wished upon them. Trustees are entitled to refuse them, but may in future accept, if, by acceptance, some similar picture or object in the now impermanent collection can be discharged for money – the consequent erosion in quality less important than the cash. Some institutions are at no great immediate risk – the National Gallery's purchased pictures account for only two-fifths of its holding, all are permanently on view, and Jacob Rothschild, the chairman of its trustees, has bravely declared his opposition to the minister's measure: but no one can forecast the attitude of Rothschild's successors. There are grey areas among the gifts – what will be the standing of pictures which are bought for sums topped up by the National Art Collections Fund, the Pilgrim Trust, J. Paul Getty or by public appeal?

Those who support the minister argue that very few works will be affected, that bad pictures will be exchanged for good, and that the gallery establishment will not waste much time wheeling and dealing. They fail to recognize that government purchase grants could so easily, on Treasury advice, be reduced by the sum realized from sales, or held at their present wretchedly reduced levels with the argument that any increase in purchasing power lies in the trustees' hands.

They seem not to realize that there are no absolute measures in taste and scholarship, and that these are constantly on the move. The opposition of present trustees, and their determination not to use the new provision, is no comfort, for once Mr Luce's bill is law, though it may lie dormant, it is a time bomb waiting for less scrupulous trustees to activate.

Stuart Weir on the New Statesman's role in present-day Britain

Voice of the dissident

Among the messages of congratulation I received on being made editor of the *New Statesman* came a postcard with a quotation from the young Marx: "The dead generations weigh like a nightmare on the brains of the living." The quotation is apt for a whole nation which is suffering from a crisis of identity, but it was of course chosen as a text for the state of a particular national institution – the *New Statesman* – and the political party with which it is associated. Both are haunted by ghosts from the past.

When I first entered the *New Statesman* offices I was confronted by the stern photographic portraits of past editors on the boardroom wall. They seemed to demand, as do many people on the left, a return to the lost glories of the most famous radical weekly in the world – which, as recently as 1966, had a circulation of 91,000. Today its presence, like that of the Labour Party, is greatly diminished. Its circulation stands at about 28,000. The blame is shared among various past editors, but this secular decline actually provides an index of the progressive middle class's failing belief in Labour's ability to bring about changes, and possibly an abandoned commitment to egalitarian ideals too.

The ghosts on the wall must in part be resisted. The glorious *New Statesman* of the past was part of a ruling consensus which knew what was best for people; it was the left-wing version of the voice of the metropolis, of Westminster and Whitehall; it was an organ of high politics and culture. The magazine shared the view – of right and left in the Labour Party alike – that socialism was best achieved through the power of the state and not by sharing power among the people. It was the creature of a time when even the left believed still in a Britain which had the power to act independently in the world.

A modern *New Statesman* must respond to a new left – or rather lefts. Diverse dissident political and cultural constituencies – *feminists, Greens and others – are flourishing in* this country alongside and within the labour movement and established socialist left. But though they frequently work within the Labour Party and trade unions, or at least seek to influence them, they are often suspicious or critical of socialist or labourist ideas and practice, and they themselves diverge as much as they converge. There are also important overlaps between Labour activists and left-wing Liberals and Social Democrats.

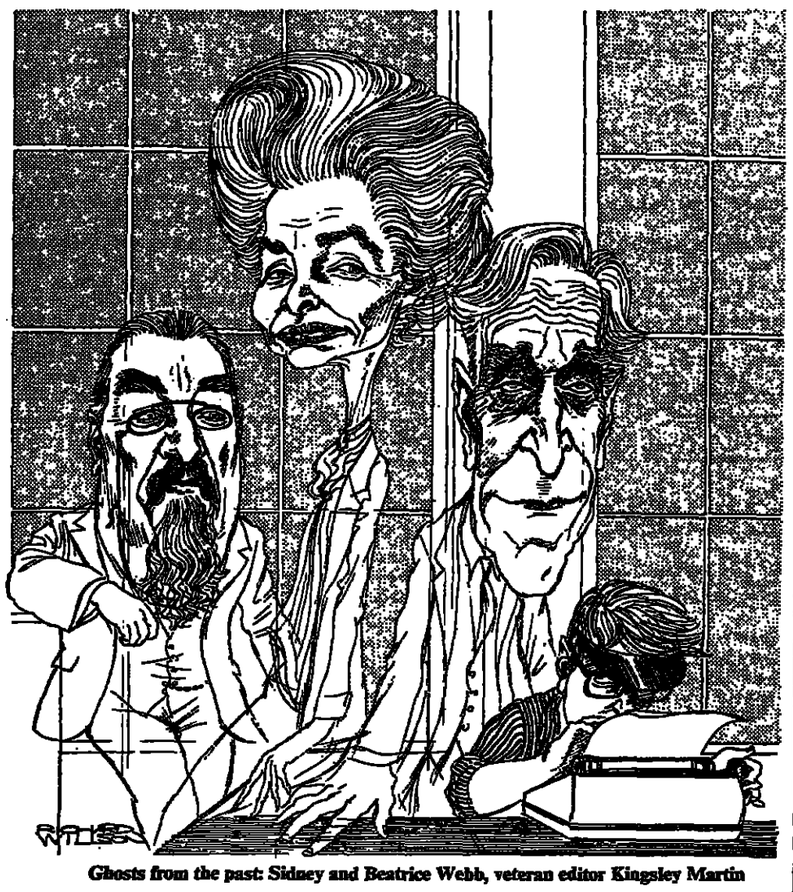
A greater sense of civic pride and national and regional identity means that people outside London no longer necessarily look to the metropolis for political leadership; perhaps they never did, but the old *New Statesman* worked on that assumption. Popular culture now provides a radical framework – even a way of life – for many nonconformists.

If the *New Statesman* is to give political and cultural inspiration to this diversity of radical approaches, the magazine must take on a more pluralist character. It must remain a sympathetic, but critical, friend of the Labour Party while at the same time reflecting and taking on board what the most serious and exciting people in other radical movements and political parties have to say. I have deliberately emphasized the diverse nature of the left; there is also a desire for an interchange of ideas and views, a recognition that, for example, white radicals can learn major strategic lessons for the emancipation of all from the black experience in Britain.

The *New Statesman* has the reputation and position to provide a forum for the debates which must take place, but not on the old terms. Any attempt to restore a magisterial authority will smell of metropolitan parochialism on the one hand, and labourist imperialism on the other. That's not to say that the magazine should not have a set of defining principles and attiudes, nor that all its traditions should be junked. John Lloyd, the outgoing editor, and the staff have already reasserted certain of the magazine's traditional qualities: bold and authoritative coverage, fine and witty writing, an intense interest in ideas and a willingness to surprise and shock. Lloyd has also brought to the magazine the compelling quality of journalistic honesty.

My view is that the magazine must build a radical new politics of democracy and citizenship on the reputation it has gained – a politics which has the power to mobilize opposition to the Thatcherite future, to unify the dissident movements and to appeal to the political centre as well as to the left.

I have characterized this new politics as "republican". The argument is that we live in the least democratic country in the Western world. The *ancien regime* of our political institutions leaves the country at the mercy of a uniquely powerful executive and centralized state apparatus. *The New Statesman* must declare all-out war on Mrs Thatcher's abuse of state power and on the antique institutions which make it possible. The magazine must demand a written constitution, freedom of information, a Bill of Rights, electoral reform, devolution, real powers of control and scrutiny for the Commons, reform of the judiciary, equal opportunities.



Ghosts from the past: Sidney and Beatrice Webb, veteran editor Kingsley Martin

It is also time to end the odd divisions between politics and culture, between ideas and experience, between the personal and the political, which is symbolized still in the *New Statesman* by the artificial divide between the front half and the back. The pantomine horse, no less than the Westminster crony, needs pensioning off.

The very notion of "cultural politics" makes many Labour politicians reach for their (metaphorical) gun, but at its best it is a way of analysing the unseen ideologies which govern people's experience at work and in the home, and in all other aspects of their lives.

These ideologies shape people's perceptions not only of those lives, but of the society they live in, and legitimize oppressions as real as any with which the organized left has traditionally been concerned. Moreover, they can actually undermine those central concerns. Patrick Wright has shown, for example, how the idea of the national heritage has been used since the war to diminish the egalitarian ideals of the welfare state. And aren't we all now aware that political democracy itself is increasingly a sophisticated form of marketing?

I have described a magazine of the left. But the *New Statesman* must be written from and not exclusively for the left. We have to create vital debates which are at once our own and national. The magazine has in recent years begun to do just that. I believe that it will succeed most surely as the tribune of political democracy and a self-governing society.

Boy Scouts unprepared to govern

Backbench peers of all parties are voicing concern over the government front-bench team in the House of Lords. Although well liked, the new group of young hereditary peers – succeeding, among others, the seasoned Lords Gowrie, Elton and Bellwin and Baroness Young – have little political experience.

Lord Whitelaw is thought to have had the beginners in mind when he expressed fears at the Blackpool conference over the fate of contentious bills in a chamber of experts.

The younger intake consists of Lords Skelmersdale, Beaverbrook, Hesketh, Caithness, Brabazon, Glenarthur, Arran and Dundee, plus Lady Hooper, the sole life peer and a former MEP. Their previous pursuits include piloting helicopters and bobsleighs, farming and chartered surveying. "The Boy Scouts," as some opposition peers dub them. A number of other likely candidates were deterred by the full-time commitment involved and the salary – Lord Gowrie resigned insisting that he could not live on his £30,000 a year as Arts Minister and Treasury spokesman.

A senior Labour peer said: "We have great difficulty getting proper answers to questions. The new boys will have to handle the details of the big bills coming up this session, and already some have got things badly wrong."

And this from a senior Liberal: "On major bills junior ministers don't have the flexibility to answer rational points made from the backbenches on either side. They are tied to their civil servants' briefs. I believe that is damaging to the House."

They and other peers praised Lord Caithness, Prisons Minister and home affairs spokesman, for his grasp of the Criminal Justice Bill. But, they added, he could not be expected to fence with the legal heavyweights on complex matters of law. Lord Mackay of Clashfern, the new Lord Chancellor, has taken over the legal niceties of the bill – part of the reason for the sudden switch on the Woolsack last month.

When the government won approval for reform of the extradition laws at the second attempt this week, Lord Mackay said plainly that he was helping because Lord Caithness lacked the necessary legal experience.

Lord Beaverbrook, who acts as deputy to Lord Young on trade, industry and Treasury issues, has twice run into trouble at question time. He was rescued by Lord Whitelaw in a dispute with a Labour peer on sanctions against South Africa; on the second occasion he commented that the Lords' report on overseas trade had been "largely discredited" – a remark that led to a special debate and an apology to Lord Aldington, the committee chairman.

Lady Hooper, who is seeing the Education Bill through the Lords, caused a furore with her comment that racially segregated schools might be the price society had to pay for educational choice.

Because of the junior ministers' inexperience, complex legislation takes longer to get through Parliament. Rather than risk defeat in the division lobby, they usually promise to reconsider the issue before the bill's next stage. Early in the session time is not so pressing. But peers will not take kindly to sitting four weeks longer than MPs next summer – as happened last year.

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When men are the victims

Men can't be raped, not really. It can't happen. Well that's what the law says. But the reality is very different. The fact that the statute book ignores it, the victims rarely report it, that the media do not discuss it and the rest of us would prefer not to know about it does not mean to say that it does not occur. It is an everyday event.

Sex attacks by men on men occur regularly and appear to be on the increase. There were, for example, 124 reported cases of buggery and attempted buggery in the Metropolitan Police area alone in 1986. Of course not all these cases involved only men. Some of them were attacks on women, children and animals. But the majority were assaults by one man on another. The London Rape Crisis Centre believes that these assaults are increasing and cites the fact that it now receives five such reports every week, despite a great reluctance on the part of men to confess to having been sexually abused. The London Gay and Lesbian Switchboard also reports an increasing number of calls for advice on the subject.

The similarities with the rape of women are overwhelming. As in the case of female rape victims, many of the men already knew and trusted their assailant. Often, indeed, he is a member of the family. This was true, for instance, in the case of a 16-year-old who was raped by his stepfather, the sexual abuse having started earlier as severe physical punishment for minor misdemeanours.

But it is not just young boys who are at risk. All men are vulnerable. Some recent but not well publicized cases attest to this. One involved a 17-year-old boy who was raped while at school. Another involved a 15-year-old who was tied up and raped in Eastbourne. Michael Lupo, the "Stockwell Strangler", sexually assaulted all his five male victims before killing them. One of the first victims of the "Fox" was a man. And on a recent edition of London Weekend Television's admirable *The London Programme*, "Jack" recounted how he was approached by a man while walking his dog on Mitcham Common, was threatened with a knife and then raped.

Naturally, homosexuals are most at risk. "Luke" was one of them, raped by a stranger to whom he had foolishly given a bed for the night. "Rent boys", as one would expect, are in even greater danger.

For all the victims, gay and heterosexual, it is a traumatic experience – the initial impact of which lasts for weeks – scarring the rest of their lives. Indeed, we know that many of those sexually assaulted as young boys go on to be sex offenders themselves. It is probably true to say that the majority of the men who commit illegal sexual acts, and especially those committing incest and rape, have themselves been abused. Some of them, as they confess, are exacting revenge for what happened to them.

Apart from the deep and lasting psychological effects, all male victims experience feelings of depression, anxiety, insomnia and, frequently, a fear of going outside. These symptoms will be familiar to female rape victims, but men appear to encounter additional problems. The first is that their sexuality is undermined. Many heterosexual victims fear they have been picked out as being incipient homosexuals by some aspect of their personality or demeanour. They feel their masculinity has been questioned, and criticize themselves for being so inadequate to have been selected as a victim and then to have succumbed to the attack. It couldn't happen to "real men". And if it did, they would successfully have resisted.

These are serious problems. They are compounded by the fact that, unlike female victims, there is no one and nowhere to take them to: no rape crisis centre for men, no discreet and thoughtful counselling, no kind words and comfort. There is nothing but shame and embarrassment in the mere reporting of the incident. Nor do the police help. According to the victims they are nearly always disbelieving, embarrassed, unresponsive and unhelpful.

Male rape has to be treated seriously. We could begin by training the police to be more sensitive to victims, and so encourage them to report the offence. Perhaps we should also seek equality in the law, so that the rape of one man by another carries the same potential for a life sentence as the rape of a woman, instead of the present 10 years, and that attempted buggery should carry the same 10-year potential prison sentence as the attempted rape of a woman, instead of its present maximum of two years. We might also extend to men the right of anonimity in court. By these means we could start to do for the men what we began to do for women just a decade ago: take the offence seriously and treat it properly.

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Michael Kinsley

Allow me to settle my hash

Washington

Oh heck, I didn't want to be a Supreme Court justice anyway. Nevertheless, after the events in Washington in the past couple of weeks, it is incumbent on me to make the following statement.

Like so many others in my generation, including Judge Douglas Ginsburg (President Reagan's latest failed Supreme Court nominee), Senator Albert Gore (the 39-year-old presidential candidate), and former governor Bruce Babbitt (another Democratic candidate), I too have experimented with marijuana.

It was at a party in my freshman year in college. Someone handed me a marijuana cigarette and I took a puff. Maybe two. I deeply regret this youthful indiscretion. I found the drug had no effect on me whatsoever, and I determined not to experiment with illicit substances any further. Instead, I got throwing-up drunk in a manner more suited to one with aspirations toward a leadership role in this great country of ours.

However, a few days later I experimented with marijuana once again and enjoyed it a good deal more. This youthful indiscretion I also deeply regret. During the next several years, overcome by the spirit of scientific inquiry, I experimented with marijuana perhaps 250 times. I deeply, deeply regret all of these youthful indiscretions.

As a student at Harvard Law School in the mid-1970s, I continued to conduct occasional experiments with marijuana – heedless of the baleful influence this apparently was having on impressionable members of the faculty (such as Judge Ginsburg, who was teaching there at the time). Although these experiments were few in number, I deeply regret each one of them.

Unlike the string of prominent Americans who have come forward lately to confess their rather limited dope experiences, I cannot pinpoint with the same remarkable clarity the last time I experimented with marijuana. All I can say for sure is that it was a while back, it was a youthful indiscretion, and I deeply regret it. And if, perchance, I find myself experimenting with marijuana on some future occasion, I regret that, too. Deeply.

Although the past couple of weeks have heard much loose talk of the 1960s as a period of cultural revolution, the more interesting lesson of the hilarious Ginsburg episode is how little effect the widespread use of marijuana really has had on the culture. The fact that nerds like Douglas Ginsburg (OK, and like me) and slick goody-goodies like Albert Gore Jr smoked dope shows how broad-based the phenomenon was. And yet, the fact that getting stoned on Saturday night is not inconsistent with a successful career as a right-wing legal scholar shows how little difference it has made. Flower power was not supposed to lead to this.

A lawyer friend of mine protested that, after Ginsburg, "the only members of our generation who will get to run the country will be sanctimonious liars". I reassured him that this is true of every generation – advice that he found strangely uncomforting. But the consensus seems to be that while dope smoking did in Ginsburg, it will not seriously hurt the two Democratic presidential contenders and won't be a scarlet "M" branded on every ambitious member of the Sixties generation.

Ginsburg was destroyed by the sheer hypocrisy of the Reagan administration, which has made the anti-drug crusade its chief "motherhood" issue. The sight of Reagan and other conservatives saying, "What's the big deal about a couple of tokes?" rapidly turned his nomination into a national joke. But a whiff of exotic substances may actually help Gore and Babbitt, who both suffer from reputations as prigs.

The rules here are in flux. One aspect of the developing post-Ginsburg consensus seems to be that drug use will not be held against you if it was a "youthful indiscretion", but is unacceptable in adulthood. The cutoff seems to be somewhere between college and law school – say, age 21. This is in striking contrast to the Reagan-era consensus on the use of alcohol, which is that it is acceptable after the age of 21 but not before. In the past few years state after state, under heavy pressure from the administration, has raised its minimum drinking age to 21. In America, it seems, it's morally and politically acceptable to be stoned as a minor or drunk as an adult, but not the other way around.

The current spate of ex-communist-style confessions-cum-recantations about past drug use leaves a bad taste in my mouth. What I'm waiting for is some politician to announce that he used marijuana in the 1960s and doesn't regret it. Maybe even that what he really regrets is all the experiments he didn't conduct in his youth, perhaps because he was too busy plotting his assault on the establishment heights. To have used marijuana in the 1960s, when everyone was supposed to use marijuana, and to deplore marijuana in the 1980s, when everyone is supposed to deplore it, is just a bit too convenient for my taste.

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SIFTING THE WRECKAGE

Two days after the tragedy at King's Cross the progress of the fire experts, chemists and engineers has the continuing rhythm of detective work. All causes are considered, a pile of burning litter here, an ill-chosen cleaning fluid there. Suspects are eliminated as and when the evidence permits. Hanging above the case still is the prospect — not yet discounted — that 30 deaths may not have been the result of mechanical failure or other chance, that they may have had some human agency, a dropped cigarette or worse.

Final adjudication must be left to the judicial inquiry which is to be established by the Government. The job of detection falls to the experts commissioned by London Regional Transport and the other authorities. But the anxiety generated by the fire can, in the interim, be met by asking questions. Here newspapers have an important role — to pose the puzzles forming in the public mind.

These begin with the physical cause of that sudden rush of flame and heat. This in itself took lives before the underground spaces of King's Cross were filled with suffocating fumes. This "ball of fire" was no straightforward event. It seems to have been nothing so mundane as burning spirit or cleaning fluid. Testimony by experts and eyewitnesses yesterday pointed to the effects of a longer period of smouldering heat, possibly causing plastics or lubricants to boil and throw off gases which, when released into a wider cavity, became sheets of flame.

From that supposition other questions spring. Their answers carry us away from the science of materials to the vagaries of human behaviour. One witness described the signs of smouldering one hour before the alarm was raised. He described them, he has reported, to LRT personnel. The possibility that earlier action might have saved the day was supported by another witness, too. The inquiry team must look beyond King's Cross. It must address the general issue of how adequate are the systems in place in LRT stations to deal with warnings of fire.

Following the same trail, questions suggest themselves about the physical condition of what was evidently a very old escalator. However mechanically sound it may have been, it must inevitably have needed increasing amounts of maintenance with the passage of the years. As a result, the detectives must ask about the quality of LRT's maintenance programme, liaison between manufacturer (in this instance Otis Elevators) and fitters.

LRT managers must brace themselves for a rough passage. Their chains of command call for examination, especially the links between station management and control of trains. Some of the criticism will inevitably be unfair, motivated more by known political positions than known facts. Red herrings will be earnestly fished for — such as the suspension of LRT's programme of equipping lines with firebreaks, a decision which, whatever its merits, has no bearing on these events. Similarly, the use of fire-sprinkler systems (one was in place at King's Cross) does not appear central to this inquiry.

But, from the chairman's office downward, answers will have to be ready. Unit costs on the system have been pared. Did retrenchment at King's Cross, bringing with it changes in the organization of cleaning, increase risk? Those managers will certainly say that absolute safety cannot be bought and that the cost of improving safety is often high. That is true. But their responsibility is for public safety as well as for the public purse. When the two clash, it is they who should put the issues before the public.

Since its birth London Transport has been in and out of the hands of politicians. Many transport professionals were glad to see LRT emancipated from the Greater London Council four years ago. But LRT, however good the quality of its management may be, is now a closed system, its decision-making invisible to the public that uses its buses and trains. One small benefit to come out of this tragedy might be to open that system up and allow the public to inspect the quality of decisions about spending on which the public's safety — we have been reminded this week — hangs so heavily.

A TRUE EDUCATION BILL

The Education Secretary, Mr Kenneth Baker, has made few concessions to the massed ranks of his critics and, on the whole, his Education Reform Bill is the better for it. The Government has not deviated from its determination to break up the local authorities' monopoly of state schools. Parents, in consequence, will have more choice and greater influence. Most important, a national curriculum, accompanied by attainment targets and tests at key ages, will ensure that a larger proportion of young people leave school literate, numerate and more broadly educated than they are now.

Standards, in short, will rise. That is because teachers will have a clearer idea of what is expected of them. Bad schools will have their shortcomings exposed. Malign councils will have their wings clipped. Governing bodies, for the first time, will have real responsibilities. Parents, at last, will know how well or badly their children are doing.

The teaching unions, the local authorities, the bureaucrats and all the other organized lobbies of the education establishment like little or none of this. That is hardly surprising. They represent the status quo which has been found wanting, indeed was found wanting more than 10 years ago, and is finally to be overturned.

Such concessions as the Bill does make indicate the criticisms which Mr Baker has taken seriously. Most notably they are those of the churches. The Bishop of London had damned the proposals as utilitarian and materialistic. The Bishop of Leeds had complained that the proposed curriculum ignored moral and spiritual values.

Whether the Bill's preamble, which requires the national curriculum to promote the spiritual, moral, cultural, mental and physical development of pupils, will entirely satisfy the Lords spiritual is doubtful; doubtful because it is hard to avoid the suspicion that what really lies behind the churches' cries of disapproval is the frankly self-serving apprehension that the best of their own schools could be among the first to opt out.

Some bishops had even begun to argue that church schools would have to be exempted from the provision in order to protect their religious ethos. That seems to be the main reason for the Bill's reaffirmation of the 1944 Act's requirement that religious instruction should be given in every school. With it comes a new appeals procedure to hear complaints about the sort of breaches that are now widespread.

It is a shrewd move that will make it much harder for the churches to argue against grant-maintained status. After all, the very existence of church schools is a confirmation of the value of parental choice. How, then, can the churches deny to others what they already offer to some?

The other major criticism Mr Baker has sought to answer is that the national curriculum, by being unduly prescriptive, threatened minority subjects like Latin that are not accorded a place in the list of 10 foundation subjects and will therefore have to compete for time against many other pressing interests. Those fears were understandably heightened by an unhappy passage in the consultative paper that seemed to suggest all schools would have to devote between 80 per cent and 90 per cent of the timetable to the compulsory subjects.

The Bill, as it turns out, lays down no percentages. Mr Baker suggests that some schools will be able to cover the ground in 70 per cent of the time available but that most will take longer and none will be able to do it in less. Schools that wish to offer Latin, therefore, can take comfort only from the prospect that the pupils most likely to want it will be those who will get through the compulsory subjects most quickly. Whether this is enough remains an open — and worrying — question.

A sensible change is the proposal to give the secretary of state the power to require the remaining inner-London boroughs to run their own schools once eight of the 13 have opted out of the ILEA. It should avoid the worst consequences of a rump authority spiralling into decline.

It is a measure of how radical the Bill is that at present only one pupil in eight attempts the curriculum it proposes; only one in 10 passes it. The consequences for Britain as a nation have come to be well understood. The consequences for individual pupils have been known by their parents for far too long. For too long most have been powerless to do anything about it.

FOURTH LEADER

It is reported that the French frontier police recently stopped a Renault-4 van (a particularly small vehicle) at the Spanish border crossing near Perpignan. It is not known whether the French guards had had a tip-off, or were suspicious of the vehicle on other grounds, or were merely making a random spot-check. But whatever it was that made them ask the driver whether he had anything to declare, figure to yourself their surprise when, as they moved to search the little runabout, *sixteen* Turks climbed out of it.

They were charged with attempting to enter France illegally, and might with good reason have been indicted also for attempting to enter France uncomfortably. But certain questions arise.

In the first place, there is no reason to suppose that your average Turk is exceptionally small; on the contrary, he is usually a fine figure of a man. He may, of course, be ingenious, but the amount of ingenuity required to get 16 Turks into a Renault-4 would be beyond Pythagoras, never mind a Turk suffering from wanderlust.

Moreover, they were coming from Spain, and even the most indifferent geographer knows that Turkey is quite a long way away from Iberia. Did they travel all the way in the same style? If so, they must have been 16 sore Turks by the time they arrived. And, incidentally, how come the Spanish frontier inspectors didn't notice that the vehicle was bulging in a most unusual manner?

There is a riddle often found on tea-towels, which goes like this:

"How do you get four elephants into a mini?"
"Two in the back and two in the front."
"How do you get four giraffes into a mini?"
"You can't - it's full up with elephants."

But that, besides providing no clue to the mystery, is meant to be a joke, and Reuters (who sent the story) do not trifle.

It is no use muttering about ships in bottles; it isn't the same thing. Nor can it be a matter of dehydrating the passengers and watering them when they emerge; such techniques are still only in a rudimentary stage. Possibly they had worked out a rota which laid down the order in which they were permitted to breathe, but unless they all spent the entire journey breathing out simultaneously, and not breathing in at all, the mystery remains.

No doubt they will get into the Guinness Book of Records; but that may not be sufficient consolation, since they were, after all, trying to get into France. And why did they want to do that, anyway? Do you suppose — some people have the cheek of the devil — that they were returning the vehicle to the makers with a complaint about the lack of leg-room?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Facing death in the fire service

From the Chief Fire Officer, Devon Fire and Rescue Service

Sir, In the wake of last Wednesday's fire at King's Cross, your thoughtful leader (November 20) and its reference to the financing of the London Fire Brigade is to be applauded.

The fact remains, of course, that a reporter or TV camera can never record at first hand the searing heat, humidity and general punishing physical conditions of normal firefighting where, in almost all cases, firefighters work virtually blind in smoke, unseen by the public eye.

Whilst serving in the London Fire Brigade, one colleague likened a fireman's arena to "wearing five overcoats in an oven where the regulo was turned full up whilst suffering a crown of thorns" — the latter being a reference to a firefighter's breathing apparatus.

Such regular working conditions do call for a very special level of physical courage and discipline and I have no doubt that such qualities were shown in great abundance by the London Fire Brigade crews during last Wednesday evening's drama.

For over 150 years, organised fire brigades have existed to save life and property and sadly, at King's Cross, a fireman once again gave his own life during the pursuance of this noble duty.

I hope that, apart from the lessons to be learnt in the aftermath of the King's Cross fire, the work of the fire service will continue to be widely recognised. At a time when all local authorities' activities are quite rightly under value-for-money scrutiny, there should be absolutely no doubt about the valour and ability of firefighters and their role in the community.

Yours faithfully,
NEIL WALLINGTON,
Chief Fire Officer,
Devon Fire and Rescue Service,
Headquarters, Clyst St. George,
Exeter, Devon.
November 20.

Literature for all

From Mr Geoffrey Strickland

Sir, Professor Butler (article, November 11) appears to welcome the prominent place within the proposed national curriculum of her own subject, English. I would normally have preferred to say discipline.

However, her inaugural lecture, at least in its edited version, bears out the impression that many parents may have gathered in recent years that "English" today covers a bewildering variety of exercises, while almost any kind of writing is liable to be proposed for study in the classroom. One of my children spent at least a term engaged on an English project devoted to the subject of vampires.

Professor Butler talks (I should like to think, with irony) of "high-tech in literary criticism", to which "practical criticism, new criticism" and "deconstruction" have contributed and which "facilitates" "the subtle in-faculty discussion" of texts. Any student of contemporary criticism will know that there is no pedagogical reality whatsoever corresponding to these terms, which belong to the history of (largely ephemeral) critical theory of the past 60 years.

I have no wish to denigrate English, which, at its best, still offers a model for other subjects within the humanities, including my own. As things stand at present, however, to impose and extend its study at the expense of other disciplines is to leave unknowable numbers of children with no means of opting out of the very worst kind of educational experiment.

Yours,
GEOFFREY STRICKLAND,
University of Reading,
Department of French Studies,
Whiteknights,
PO Box 218, Reading, Berkshire.
November 14.

From Mr Gordon Dennis

Sir, In the edited extract from her inaugural lecture Professor Butler asks again a question which has a familiar ring: "How do we determine which books to read and to recommend?"

Like other scholars and teachers asking that question, she is silent about an adequate answer. Don't these people know a good book when they see one? Don't they trust their experienced taste to formulate guidance for the inexperienced?

Yours faithfully,
GORDON DENNIS,
Oxfordshire/Westminster Language-in-Learning Centre,
Westminster College,
North Hinksey, Oxford.
November 12.

Troubles in Uganda

From Professor J. D. Gillett

Sir, Despite the valiant efforts of President Museveni, the troubles in Uganda still go on. And they are, in my opinion, likely to do so as long as northern and southern Uganda are considered as a single nation.

The mainly Nilotic peoples of the north (including the Acholi, Ateso, Kakwa, Karamojong, Karasuk, Langi, Lugbara, Madi and Sebei) will never mix happily with the mainly Bantu peoples further south (including the Baamba, Baganda, Bagishu, Bagwere, Bakiga, Bakonjo, Banyankole, Banyoro, Basamia, Basoga and Batoro). These two groups of people are so different, one from the other, not only in languages but also in customs, that they would surely be happier administering themselves as two separate nations.

One sees a similar situation in the neighbouring territory of Sudan with its concentration of Nilotic and related peoples in the south. How many thousands of Sudanese have been killed since independence owing to internal strife? But these major racial problems affecting Sudan and Uganda alike might well be solved if the Nilotic peoples of southern Sudan were to combine with the Nilotic peoples of northern Uganda to form a single new Nilotic nation. This would leave a much more homogeneous and manageable Islamic Sudan to the north and a governable Bantu Uganda to the south; and, just as important, it would create a new, united, mainly Nilotic "Nilotika" in between.

I understand that the late Kabaka of Buganda, Sir Daudi Mutesa, put forward a similar suggestion shortly before he was driven out of his capital city by Dr Obote (a Langi from the north). My suggestion, however, differs from his Highness's in that it would at last combine the Nilotic peoples of northern Uganda with those of southern Sudan, thus making a more viable new nation with natural ethnic "boundaries" both to the north and to the south.

Uganda would gain the chance to resume peaceful development even if it meant losing perhaps more than a third of its present territory. Sudan, too, would gain peace, in the south at any rate. But Sudan covers some 2.5 million square kilometres (not so much smaller than the "subcontinent" of India) and could, I suggest, afford to lose a slice of territory to the south, although the presence of oil in the southern Sudan could well complicate the picture.

Yours faithfully,
J. D. GILLETT,
University of London,
London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine,
Keppel Street, WC1.

Lyndhurst by-pass

From Mr Michael Colvin, MP for Romsey and Waterside (Conservative) and others

Sir, As the Hampshire MPs who, on Friday, walked the two principal alternative routes for the Lyndhurst by-pass, may we suggest the way out of the present impasse between Hampshire County Council and the New Forest Court of Verderers.

It was clear to us, firstly, that the route proposed in the private Bill now before Parliament is the better of the two on offer and, secondly, that the opponents' main fear is the precedent for future encroachment on to Crown common land that could be set by the use of the private Bill procedure, rather than the route itself.

If the verderers were to agree the county council's proposed route, then the Bill could be withdrawn and, with agreement, permission for fencing and land exchange would be obtained by private Bill "on the nod". In this way we can by-pass Lyndhurst without having to by-pass the verderers' historic powers — and no precedent would be set which could endanger one of England's most outstanding landscapes.

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL COLVIN,
JAMES HILL,
MICHAEL MATES,
DAVID PRICE,
House of Commons.
November 16.

Legal anonymity

From Ms Jennifer Temkin

Sir, Professor Markesinis and Mr Spencer (article, November 18) are right to point to the anomalies which exist so far as the law relating to anonymity is concerned and their call for change deserves strong support. But there is a further anomaly in the present law which again operates to the detriment of certain victims of sexual assault.

Whereas there are some statutory restrictions on the use of evidence of the victim's past sexual history in rape trials, no such restrictions exist where the defendant is charged with indecent assault or buggery. The Criminal Law Revision Committee, which was against the extension of the anonymity rules to cover victims of these crimes, was, on the other hand, in favour of extending the prohibition on the use of sexual history evidence to all sexual assault victims.

It would entail only a slight amendment to the Sexual Offices (Amendment) Act 1976 to achieve this result. This, too, could usefully be included in the Criminal Justice Bill.

Yours faithfully,
JENNIFER TEMKIN,
The London School of Economics and Political Science,
Law Department,
Houghton Street, WC2.
November 19.

Welcome diversion

From Mrs Frances Finch

Sir, One of the more pleasant results of a motorway journey is that it prompts my husband to buy me the odd spray of flowers from the service area, something he assures me he never has the time for while travelling the ordinary roads.

Yours faithfully,
FRANCES FINCH,
Welland Way,
Welland, Worcestershire.

Museums' powers to lend and sell

From the Chairman of the Museums and Galleries Commission

Sir, The Minister for the Arts wishes to allow trustees the freedom to sell paintings from the national collections (report, November 16). He also wishes to encourage them to lend paintings more freely to the regions.

The second objective is entirely laudable, and is more likely to be met if he drops the first, which is not. I find it difficult to see why the minister insists on giving to trustees powers for which they have never asked, which they do not want, and which they have said they will never use.

Yours faithfully,
BRIAN MORRIS, Chairman,
Museums and Galleries Commission,
7 St James's Square, SW1.
November 18.

From Mr Cecil Gould

Sir, Your leader (November 18) concerning the proposed Bill to give power to certain national museums to sell their contents cites the rediscovery of Raphael's portrait of Pope Julius II in this context but over-simplifies it.

What happened is unlikely to be repeated. In the first edition of my catalogue of sixteenth-century Italian pictures in the National Gallery, of which I was then deputy keeper, I had followed previous catalogues by describing the picture as a sixteenth-century copy. The late Oskar Fischel, a dedicated Raphael scholar, had at one time considered it to be the original, but later had doubts.

Then, in 1969, I had a visit from Dr Konrad Oberhuber, of the Albertina, Vienna, who had a strong hunch that the picture was the original. I did not believe this, but I offered to have an X-ray mosaic taken. I realized that this might not settle anything, but for once the result showed that considerable alterations had taken place during painting, alterations which would be most unlikely in a copy.

Having changed my mind as a result, I then found a seventeenth-century inventory which had been published since the first edition of my catalogue. A numbered entry in this corresponded with a numeral actually painted on the surface of the picture, enabling its pedigree to be traced virtually without a break and thus establishing its primacy on non-visual grounds.

If a museum had power of sale it is a moot point whether it would be more likely to sell this picture if it believed it to be a Raphael or if it believed it to be a copy. But the circumstances of the case are so unusual that it is not the best weapon to use against the proposed measure. There are plenty of better ones.

Yours,
CECIL GOULD,
Jubilee House,
Thorncombe,
Near Chard, Somerset.
November 18.

Less time to read

From the Director-designate of the Victoria and Albert Museum

Sir, Dr Selby Whittingham (November 18) is correct in pointing out that the National Art Library has not followed other departments in the Victoria and Albert Museum by adopting a six-day opening.

The reason is financial. Opening public galleries requires additional warding staff; whereas the library needs a full complement of professional, clerical and other workers. This we cannot afford at present.

The "closed day" has been moved from Friday to Monday, following a user survey and consultation with members of the Association of Art Historians and other professional bodies.

It is fair to point out the much larger readership. Comparing 1983 with today, the daily reader count has risen from an average of 80 to 180. All of this extra activity has been accomplished despite a reduction in staff numbers. May I also point out that the cuts were not Sir Roy Strong's, but those of the Government of the day.

Yours faithfully,
ELIZABETH A. L. ESTEVE-COLL,
Keeper, National Art Library and Director-designate,
Victoria and Albert Museum,
South Kensington, SW7.
November 18.

A tunnel vision

From Mr G. H. G. Norman

Sir, A few days ago, I wasted an afternoon returning from Geneva by air. I had a first-class ticket, but in spite of telephoning for a reservation four days before my departure, I had to be shunted to what no one will allow me to call "second class".

This was no hardship, but I reflected how much pleasanter it would have been, in almost every respect, if I had been able to get on to a train at Cornavin, to wake up in London the next morning: no hanging about in airport lounges, no loss of working or friend-seeing time, and an extra afternoon by the lake.

It is in the possibility that it offers of *night* travel to and from the Continent — almost anywhere this side of the Iron Curtain could be within reach of London during the hours of darkness — that the tunnel offers its greatest challenge to the airways, not, as Mr Richard Hope suggests in your issue of November 9, principally for the three-hour journey to and from Brussels or Paris.

Yours faithfully,
G. H. G. NORMAN,
12 Addison Crescent, W14.
November 14.

Red letter day

From Mr J. D. Saner

Sir, Before the birth of our second child my wife and I could not agree on names. If a girl, she wanted Victoria, I wanted Eleanor.

We had still not decided when we went into the labour ward. Remembering the long wait we had had with our first child, we took Scrabble with us. We only had time for one round. I started and the first seven letters I drew out of the bag were ELEANOR. About half an hour later, she arrived.

Incidentally, we called her Victoria.

Yours faithfully,
J. D. SANER,
4 Bedford Row, WC1.
November 15.

ON THIS DAY

NOVEMBER 21 1899

John Mackenzie Bacon (1846-1904) was an enthusiastic balloonist, an activity which he used to further his astronomical, acoustic and meteorological research

IN QUEST OF THE LEONIDS.

A RECORD BALLOON VOYAGE.

(By the Rev. J. M. Bacon)

My telegram relating to the meteor observations which, assisted by my daughter, I had the honour of undertaking on behalf of *The Times*, was written in the car of the balloon . . . and it was my intention to add many details immediately on our descent. Fate willed, however, that this descent should be delayed for many hours . . . and as, in the end, our entire aerial voyage proved . . . according to our very experienced aeronaut, Mr Stanley Spencer, the most sensational and perilous out of the many hundreds that he has undertaken, I shall be justified in giving a detailed account of our experiences.

Briefly, what happened was that we found ourselves in the unprecedented predicament of being for nearly ten hours the occupants of a balloon that could not and would not come down. Scorning earth, the balloon traversed the breadth of England, riding aloft hour after hour remorselessly ever westward towards the Atlantic, out of sight of land and far beyond all human aid . . .

The sky remaining overcast, we followed the advice given us, and shortly after 4 a.m. took our places in the car, and, amid a cheer from many hundred onlookers, quickly mounted to the region where a murky canopy hung overhead. This canopy proved to consist of a dense wetting fog 1,500ft. thick. In traversing it the balloon . . . became heavily charged with condensed vapour, and at the same time greatly chilled. The consequence was that it became necessary to discharge a great quantity of ballast to enable us to penetrate the cloud. . . Only at my earnest entreaty that we should keep well above in view of the stars, and contrary to his better judgment, Mr Spencer continued to throw out ballast till no less than seven bags had been discharged in 20 minutes . . .

With the earliest beams of sunlight the moisture-laden silk began to dry off and the gas to grow warmer, and, as though inspired with new life, the balloon began rising into space, mounting up by leaps of 600ft. in every quarter of an hour till by 9 o'clock it had reached an altitude of 6,000 ft., and was still rising . . .

It was, therefore, with grave concern but no surprise that when we next turned to the aneroid we found the index pointing to 9,000 ft., and still moving upwards. Two miles up above the unseen earth! . . . But by this time it was 12 o'clock, and on consulting the aneroid we were astonished to find that we had dropped more than 2,000ft., our height now being 7,000ft. only, and apparently we were still descending slowly . . . Each downward plunge . . . ended with a pause and then a re-ascent . . .

The cloud sensibly chilled the gas, and in less than five minutes we had fallen through below, and a wild romantic country broke upon our view, down on to which, as to a haven of safety, we were now swooping rapidly . . . Still we sped on unchecked till we caught in a dead half-grown oak, the head of which we carried right away entangled in our rigging. A few moments later, however, our anchor got good hold, and by this time help was hurrying up, kindly Welsh folks, cheery and willing and most handy to boot . . .

While being hospitably entertained at the house of a neighbouring gentleman we heard the last of our balloon. A servant employed on some task with his master looked up and saw an unknown monster swooping down from the sky. Then with a cry "The Boers have come!" he ran and shut himself in the stable.

COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
November 20: Mr W.J. Adams was received in audience by The Queen and kissed hands upon his appointment as Her Majestry's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Cairo.

Mrs Adams had the honour of being received by The Queen.

Mr S.P. Day was received in audience by The Queen and kissed hands upon his appointment as Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Tunis.

Mrs Day had the honour of being received by The Queen.

The Duke of Edinburgh this afternoon visited the "Capability Green" Business Park, Luton Hoo.

His Royal Highness was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Bedfordshire (*Lieutenant*-Colonel Hanmer Hanbury).

The Duchess of York this morning attended the arrival of the children from the British Airways Staff "Dreamflight to Disneyworld" at Heathrow Airport, London.

Miss Helen Hughes was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
November 20: Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester was represented by Mrs Michael Harvey at the Memorial Service for Mr Gerald Boak which was held in St Clement Danes Church, WC2, at noon today.

KENSINGTON PALACE
November 19: The Duke of Gloucester, Grand Prior, The Order of St John, this morning held a Reception and Investiture of Knights and Dames of St John at St James's Palace, SW1.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Simon Bland was in attendance.

The Duchess of Gloucester, Patron, Asthma Research Council, this morning attended a Service of Thanksgiving to mark the Council'a Diamond Jubilee at Westminster Abbey, W1.

Mrs Howard Page was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE
ST. JAMES'S PALACE
November 20: The Duke of Kent, Vice-Chairman of the British Overseas Trade Board, today visited Commercial Plastics Industrial Limited, Cramlington, Northumberland. Later, His Royal Highness opened Tyne and Wear Metropolitan Fire Brigade's new Control Complex at West Denton, Newcastle upon Tyne and then, as President, visited the Royal National Lifeboat Institution's Station at Tynemouth and attended a Reception at the Park Hotel, Tynemouth, Tyne and Wear.

His Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Captain Michael Campbell-Lamerton.

The Duchess of Kent today opened St. Wilfred's Hospice, Chichester and later, as Patron, visited the Bognor Regis Branch of The Samaritans, West Sussex.

Her Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Mrs David Napier.

Denis Clinch

In the steps of Schumacher

The Pope's visit to the United States this year coincided with the tenth anniversary of the death of E F Schumacher, the German-born economist and philosopher.

The impact Schumacher made over the years at the highest level is conveyed by the words of his fellow economist, John Maynard Keynes, who, approaching his own death, told Sir Wilfred Eady of the Treasury: "If my mantle is to fall on anyone, it could only be Otto Clarke *or Fritz* Schumacher. Otto Clarke can do anything with figures, but Schumacher can make them sing."

Schumacher's impact was on a world-scale. After his death on September 4, 1977, *The Times* admirably indicated his standing in these words: "To very few people is it given to begin to change, drastically and creatively, the direction of human thought. Dr Schumacher belongs to this intensively creative minority." What he wrote and thought seems to cast sympathetic light on Pope John Paul's approach, and message, to the church in the United States.

Schumacher had the humility of the truly wise. He summed up his own achievements thus: "I've always wanted to measure myself against the great men, so called, of this world. The result is quite satisfactory, so far as it goes. But my God, against the problems of this world we are all as a bunch of children."

Jesus tells us that the truly wise, the truly great, are those who know their littleness: "For the least among you all, that is the one who is great" (Lk 9:48).

It is in such light that one ponders the *implications* of the Pope being told on his American visit that the laity there "almost instinctively react negatively when they are told they *must* do something ..."; that the Church in the United States has the largest numbers of educated laity in the world, of whom a large *proportion* is church-going.

And what exactly are the signs of an "educated Laity"? The quality of what they read and understand? The films and television programmes they demand and watch? The maturity of their relationships and the stability of their marriages?

In these matters Roman Catholics in the United States, and in the affluent Western nations in general, hardly stand out from the rest of the population, they have little to boast about. Their instinctive reactions should be treated with great reserve.

Jesus exclaimed: "I bless you, Father, Lord of Heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children" (Mt 11:25).

The "learned and the clever" our Lord refers to are surely the "so-called intellectuals" of whom Carl Gustav Jung writes thus: "In my experience ... the most difficult as well as the most ungrateful patients, apart from the habitual liars, are the so-called *intellectuals.*"

In 1932, on his first visit to the United States, Schumacher, his biographer tells us, saw "bribery and corruption to an extent unheard of in Europe". He stated sadly: "One sees a great deal here, but only a very small part seems worth copying."

In the 1970s, Fritz Schumacher made two major trips to the United States. On both, his lectures rapturously received, he was heartened by the response of the young and the many seeds he discerned for new healthy growth in a changing society. Nevertheless, he returned from the first trip in 1974 saddened by the frantic pursuit of material satisfaction in American society and by much else that he had seen there which he regarded as downright evil. He saw highlighted in America the rejection of ancient virtues which he believed were still crucial to Western life.

The enthusiasm that greeted him on the second trip in 1977 left him, on the whole, despondent. He feared that it would evaporate as quickly as it had appeared and never become translated into the hard action necessary to transform the world.

Moreover, on this trip, threats to his life were taken with the utmost seriousness by the police. There were *suggestions that his opponents came from the* most powerful industrial and business interests in the United States who did not like to be told that they were responsible for "a system of production that ravishes nature and a type of society that mutilates man".

With the same courage in 1968, against powerful pressures, he sided with Pope Paul VI. When asked what he thought of *Humanae Vitae,* he replied: "If the Pope had written anything else I would have lost all faith in the papacy." Three years later, September 29, 1971, *Fritz Schumacher was received into the* Roman Catholic Church.

Many would now see our Western World, in the grip of materialism, losing its hold on ancient virtues crucial to its essential culture and heritage. Its state well illustrated by T S Eliot's lines:

"They constantly try to escape
From the darkness outside and within
By dreaming of systems so perfect that no one
will need to be good".

In this situation, taking up the cross of the goodness of the Gospel, which the Pope preaches so clearly, would seem to be the one thing necessary.

Father Denis Clinch is parish priest, St Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Manchester.

Reception

Musicians Benevolent Fund
Sir Ian Hunter, Chairman of the Musicians Benevolent Fund, received the guests at a reception held on Thursday at Goldsmiths' Hall to celebrate the Festival of Saint Cecilia. Mr Gareth Morris was the speaker and Mr Peter Donohoe gave a recital.

Dinners

Museum of Army Flying
The Duke and Duchess of York were the guests of honour at a reception held on November 19 at the Museum of Army Flying, followed by a private dinner in the Army Air Corps Officers' Mess at Middle Wallop, to announce the plans for the expansion of the museum. Lieutenant-Colonel Lord Castlemaine presided. Among those present were:
Mr Sam Twining, (Chairman of Development Trustees) and Mrs Twining, the Lord Lieutenant of Hampshire, Lord and Lady Chesham, General Sir Martin and Lady Farndale, Sir Jack and Lady Hayward, Major-General L H F Busk, Major-General and Mrs P A Downward and Colonel and Mrs R J Abbott.

Gray's Inn
The Treasurer, Mr Justice Kenneth Jones and the Masters of the Bench entertained the following guests at dinner in hall on Thursday, it being Grand Day of the Michaelmas Term. The Lord Chancellor, Lord Marshall of Goring, Sir John Arnold, Sir Tasker Watkins, VC, Sir Nicolas Browne-Wilkinson, Judge Sir James Miskin, QC, Sir David Hopkin, Lady Jones, Brigadier M.B.T. Hennessy, Miss June Mendoza and Mr Eric Hannam.

Kitchener Scholars' Association
Earl Kitchener of Khartoum presided at the annual dinner of the Kitchener Scholars' Association held last night at the Charing Cross Hotel. The principal guest was Major-General A.E. Younger, member of council. Lord Kitchener National Memorial Fund.

Royal Free Hospital
The triennial dinner of the Royal Free Hospital, the Medical School and the Old Students' Association was held last night at the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists. The guest of honour was Lord Flowers, Vice Chancellor of London University, and the guests were received by Dr Isobel Beswick, President of the Old Students' Association.



Boris Becker is 20 tomorrow

Birthdays

TODAY: Sir Alex Alexander, chairman, J. Lyons and Company, 71; Miss Beryl Bainbridge, writer, 53; Mrs Georgina Battiscombe, author, 82; Mr Roy Boulting, film producer, 74; Mr J.D. Bullmore, chairman, J. Walter Thompson Company, 58; Dr Michael Grant, former vice-chancellor, The Queen's University of Belfast, 73; Mr Stanley Kalms, founder, Dixons Group, 56; Air Chief Marshal Sir Theodore McEvoy, 83; Miss Natalia Makarova, ballet dancer, 47; Professor G.E.H. Reuter, mathematician, 66; Mr Telly Savalas, actor, 65; Earl Waldegrave, 82; Mr Malcolm Williamson, Master of The Queen's Music.

TOMORROW: Mr Boris Becker, tennis player, 20; Lady Carmichael of Kelvingrove, social worker, 62; Mr Jon Cleary, novelist, 70; Mr Tom Conti, actor, 45; Mr Brian Dance, headmaster, St Dunstan's College, 58; the Hon Sir Humphrey Gibbs, former Governor of Rhodesia, 85; Sir Peter Hall, director, National Theatre, 57; Sir Andrew Huxley, OM, physiologist, 70; Mrs Billie Jean King, tennis player, 44; Mr R.M. Reeve, headmaster, King's College School, Wimbledon, 53; Professor K.B.S. Smellie, professor emeritus of Political Science, 90; Mrs Pat Koechlin-Smythe, show jumper, 59; Sir Michael Walker, diplomat, 71.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr P.D.D. Andrews and Miss A.L. Thomson
The engagement is announced between Patrick, son of Mr and Mrs Peter Andrews, of Stanford Dingley, Berkshire, and Alison, elder daughter of Squadron Leader and Mrs John Thomson, of Findhorn, Moray.

Mr S.D.R. Barwick and Miss F.E.H. Blackie
The engagement is announced between Simon, son of Mr and Mrs David R. Barwick, of Grand Cayman, British West Indies, and Fiona, daughter of the late Mr A. Blackie and of Mrs F.M. Blackie, of Harnham, Salisbury.

Mr A. Caparros and Miss C.M. Denning
The engagement is announced between Antoine, son of Mr and Mrs A. Caparros, of Reims, France, and Caroline, daughter of Mr and Mrs D.R. Denning, of *Anguilla Park, Singapore.*

Mr J.D. Carter and Mlle C.M. Boisset
The engagement is announced between John Carter, of Wedhampton, Devizes, Wiltshire, elder son of Mr Leslie Carter and the late Mrs Stella Carter, of Caerleon, Gwent, formerly of Thorpe-le-Soken, Essex, and Caroline daughter of M and Mme Bernard Boisset, of Brussels and Omerville, France.

Mr P.J. Cherry and Miss L.J. Chantrill
The engagement is announced between Peter, son of Mr and Mrs James Cherry, of Kendal, Cumbria, and Lesley, daughter of Mr and Mrs Bevan H. Chantrill, of East Keswick, West Yorkshire.

Mr L. Crerar and Miss D.A. Lowman
The engagement is announced between Lawson, son of the late Mr Hugh Crerar and of Mrs Kathleen Crerar, and Deborah Anne, only daughter of Mr Dennis Roy Lowman and Mrs *Renate Lowman.*

Mr J.M. Dean and Miss B.S. Boddington
The engagement is announced between John, elder son of Mrs I.M. Dean and the late Mr R.A. Dean, of Aldridge, West Midlands, and Belinda, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs R.M.H. Boddington, of Broadstairs, Kent.

Mr P.J. Feltham and Miss F.F.R. Botsford
The engagement is announced between Piers Jonathan, elder son of Mr and Mrs John Feltham, of Woodstock, Oxfordshire, and Flora Fidelia Rangoni, younger daughter of Mr Keith Botsford, of Poggio San Lorenzo, Italy, and Mrs Ann Winchester, of *Argyroupoli, Crete.*

Mr M.H.D. Payne and Miss S.F.L. Talbot
The engagement is announced between Mark, elder son of Mr and Mrs G.D. Payne, of Woldingham, Surrey, and Sarah, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J.L. Talbot, of Tenbury Wells, Worcestershire.

Mr G.J. Strange and Miss E.M. Harrhy
The engagement is announced between Greg Strange, of Wandsworth, London, and Eiddwen Harrhy, of *Llandaff,* Cardiff.

Dr T.A.E. Unwin and Dr R.S. Holder
The engagement is announced between Alasdair, younger son of Major and Mrs T.P.F. Unwin, of Woking, Surrey, and Rosamond, eldest daughter of Air Commodore and Mrs R.R. Holder, of Guildford, Surrey.

Marriage

Mr K.D.G. Kirk and Miss L.C.S-K. Secondé
The marriage took place yesterday at Brompton Oratory between Mr David Kirk, eldest son of the late Sir Peter Kirk and of Lady Kirk, of Manor Farm, Newton-on-Rawcliffe, North Yorkshire, and Miss Louise Secondé, younger daughter of Sir Reginald and Lady Secondé, of Wamil Hall, Mildenhall, Suffolk. Mgr Alfred Gilbey officiated, assisted by the Rev Ronald Creighton-Jobe.

The bride, who was given in *marriage* by her father, was attended by Cecily Chambers, Felicity Molland, Miss Pamela Lanigan, Miss Alison Arbuthnot and Dr Hania Mier-Jedrzejowicz. Mr Simon Cox was best man.

A reception was held at the Cavalry and Guards Club and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Tomorrow's services

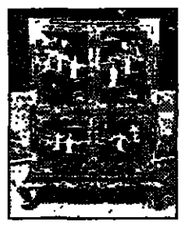
CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 9.30 S Euch; 9.30 M (South Quire aisle); 11 S Euch, Missa Sancti Johannis de Deo (Hayden), If ye love me (Tallis), Rev J H R de Sausmarez; 3.15 E. Responses (Rose), Wood in D. Expectans expectavi (Wood); 6.30 ES. Rev B L Hill.
YORK MINSTER: 8, 8.45 HC; 10.15 S Euch, Stanford in B flat, Canon R Hockley; 11.30 M, Noble in B minor, Responses (Ayleward) & E. Watson in E. Wachet auf (Bach).
ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 10.30 M, Britten in E flat, Britten in C, Rt Rev K Woollcombe; 11.30 HC, Williams in G minor, O taste and see (Williams); 3.15 E, Noble in A minor, Laudibus in sanctis (Byrd), Rev D H Hubbard.
WESTMINSTER ABBEY: 8 HC; 10.30 M, Responses (Smith), Stanford in B flat, Exsurge Domine (Byrd), Canon D Gray; 11.40 HC, Missa brevis (Walton); 3 E, Kelly in C, O quam gloriosum (Byrd), Rt Rev W Nicholas; 5.30 Recital, J F Attwood, I Simcock; 6.30 ES, Canon E James.
SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL: 9 HC; 11 Euch, Messe Solonelle (Langlais), O sacrum convivium (Croce), Rev J Sollinson; 3 E, The Magdalen Service (Leighton), Rejoice in the lamb (Britten), Rev D Adlington.
WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL: 7, 8, 9, 10.30, Votive Mass of Newly Beatified Martyrs of Great Britain, 12, 5.30, 7 SM; 3.30 V & B.
ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL, Southwark: 8, 10; 12.15, S LM; 11 HM, In Honorem Sancti Joseph (Perosi), Regnavit Dominus (Shepheard), Hallelujah Chorus (Handel), Fr P Stuart.
CHAPEL ROYAL, St. James's Palace: 8.30 HC; 11.15 MP, O where shall wisdom be found (Boyce), Rev J R W Slott.
QUEEN'S CHAPEL OF THE SAVOY, WC2: 11.15 M, Britten (Festival), Hear my prayer (Mendelssohn), The Lord bless you (Rubbra), Rev J Lang.
ROYAL NAVAL COLLEGE CHAPEL, Greenwich, SE10: 11 M & HC, Praise the Lord (Boyce), Exsultate Justi (Viadana), The Chaplain.
GUARDS CHAPEL, Wellington Barracks, SW1: 11, 12 HC, Welsh Guards, The Chaplain.
GRAY'S INN CHAPEL: 11.15 Divine Service, Canon C. James.
LINCOLN'S INN CHAPEL: 11.30, The Warburton Lecture, Rt Hon Lord Hailsham.
TOWER OF LONDON, EC3: 9.15 HC; 11 M, Britten in E, Quemadmodus organis (Philips), The Chaplain.
TEMPLE CHURCH, Fleet Street, EC4: 8.30 HC; 11 15 MP, *Orust omnium* in te sperant Domine (Wood), Responses (Thalben-Ball), Mathias in C, Wood in A flat, Faire is the heaven, where happy souls have place (Harris), Rev P Tompkinson.
ST CLEMENT DANES (RAF Church) WC2: 9.30, 12.15 HC; 11 M, Stanford in C, Thy word is thy dwelling place (Brahms), Rev T J S Thomas.
CHAPEL ROYAL, Hampton Court Palace: 8.30 HC; 11 M, Festal (Williams), Stanford in B flat, Sing joyfully (Byrd), The Chaplain; 3.30 E. O nata lux (Tallis), Wesley in E. Remember now thy creator (Stoppard).
ALL HALLOWS BY THE TOWER: 11 S Euch, Rev P Blewett.
ALL SAINTS, Margaret Street, W1: 8, 8.15 LM; 11 M, Missa brevis in D (Haydn), Where thou reignest, King of glory (Schubert), Rev D Winter; 6 E & B, Bairstow in G, O rex gloriae (Palestrina), The Vicar.
ALL SOULS, Langham Place, W1: 9.30 HC; 11 Annual Medical Service, Canon G Bridger; 6.30 Rev J Stott.
CHELSEA OLD CHURCH, Old Church Street, SW3: 8, 12 HC; 10 Children's Service; 11 M, Rev A W S Brown; 6 E, Mr D Bowie.
CHRIST CHURCH, CHELSEA, SW3: 8 HC; 11 Parish C, Rev B Jacobs.
GROSVENOR CHAPEL, South Audley Street: 8.15 HC; 11 HM, Sub tuum presidium (Mozart), Declare his honour (Purcell), Canon S V Gulin.
HOLY TRINITY, Brompton Road, SW7: 8.30 HC (1662); 10.30 HC (ASB), Preb J T C B Collins; 6.30 ES, Rev J A K Millar.
HOLY TRINITY, Prince Consort Road, SW7: 8.30 HC; 12.06 MP, Bishop of Fulham.
HOLY TRINITY, Sloane Street, SW1: 8.30, 12.10 HC; 10.30 S Euch, Canon Stephen.
ST ALBAN'S, Brooke St, EC1: 9.30 SM; 11 HM & Procession, Kronungsmesse (Mozart), Feast song for St Cecilia (Rose), Bishop of Edmonton; 5.30 LM.
ST BRIDE'S, Fleet Street, EC4: 8.30 HC (1662); 11 M, Euch, Deferra Christi Munera (Palestrina), Canon J Oates; 6.30 St Cecilia's Day concert.
ST CUTHBERT'S, Philbeach Gardens SW5: 10 HC; 11 S Euch, Harwood in A, King of Glory (Bach), Rev J Vine; 6.30 Healing Service, Dr J Dominian.
ST CYPRIAN'S, Clarence Gate, NW1: 8 LM; 10.30 M; 11 HM & Sermon, Bishop of Portsmouth.
ST GEORGE'S, Bloomsbury, WC1: 10 HC; 11 S Euch, Jackson in G, Wash me throughly (Wesley), The Rector.
ST GILES-IN-THE-FIELDS, St Giles High St, WC2: 8, 12 HC; 11 MP, Rev G Taylor; 6.30 EP, Rev P J Galloway.
ST JAMES'S, Muswell Hill, N10: 8 HC; 11 Family Service; 6.30 EP, Preb G Lowry.
ST JAMES'S, Piccadilly, W1: 8.30 HC; 11 S Euch (BBC World Service recording), 6 EP.
ST JAMES'S, Sussex Gardens, W2: 8 HC; 10.30 S Euch, Last Dich (Brahms), Bless, Lord (Berthier); 6 EP, Haut Bourdon (Whitlock), Jesu Dulcis Memoria (Drayton), O God be merciful (Tye).
ST JOHN'S, Hyde Park Crescent, W2: 8 HC; 10 Parish Euch, Rev C Birchard; 6.30 EP, Rev T Harkin.
ST JOHN'S, WOOD CHURCH, NW8: 8 HC; 9.30 Parish C; 11 S Euch, Little Organ mass (Haydn), Ave Verum (Mozart), The Vicar; 6.30 ES, Purcell in E minor, A hymn to the Virgin (Britten), The Vicar.
ST LUKE'S, Chelsea, SW3: 8 HC; 9.30 MP & HC, O thou the central orb (Wood), Rev S Watson; 6.30 E, My beloved spake (Hadley), Rev D S Watson.
ST MARK'S, Regents Park Rd, NW1: 8 HC; 10 Family C; 11 S Euch & Holy Baptism, Leighton in D, How lovely are thy dwellings (Brahms), Rev J Humble.
ST MARGARET'S, Westminster, SW1: 8 LE, 12.15 HC; 11 The Horse Rangers Service.
ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS, WC2: 8 HC; 9.45 Euch, Rev P Chester; 1.30 MP, Rev S Roberts; 2.45 Chinese Service, Rev H Lee; Rev A Lin; 4.30 E, Decani & Responses Aylward, Stanford in C, Hymn to St Cecilia (Britten); 6.30 EP, Rev P Chester.
ST MARY ABBOTS, Kensington, W8: 8, 12.30 HC; 9.30 S Euch, Rev Cend; 11.15 M, Rev S Boddy; 6.30 E, The Vicar.
ST MARY'S, Bourne Street, SW1: 9, 9.45, 7 LM; 11 HM, Gloria in excelsis Deo (Vivaldi), Lift up your heads, Worthy is the lamb (Handel), Organ Concerto in A (Handel), Canon P Pilkington; 6.15 V, Procession & B, Beatus vir Magnificat (Vivaldi), Salve Regina (Victoria), Hallelujah (Handel), ST MARYLEBONE, Marylebone Road, W1: 8, 11 HC, Mass in D (Dorian), Hymn to St Cecilia (Britten), Rev C H Cooke; 6.30 E, Rev D Head.
ST MICHAEL'S, Chester Square SW1: 8.15 HC; 11 HC, Rev J Crossley; 7.30 ES, Rev N Taylor.
ST MICHAEL'S, Cornhill, EC3: 11 M; 8.15 HC, Sine we merrily (Kling), Responses (Ebdon), Britten in E, Stanford in C, Hymn for St Cecilia (Howells).
ST PAUL'S, Wilton Place, SW1: 8, 9 HC; 11 S Euch, Communion Service in B flat (Stanford), Give the King thy judgements (Weldon), Deposuit, Agnus (Williamson), Rev M Barney.
ST PETER'S, Eaton Square, SW1: *Due to fire damage; services held in St Peter's Primary School, Lower Garrow* S; 8.15 HC; 10 Family Mass; 11 SM, Darke in E, Feast song for St Cecilia (Rose), Rev A Chidwick.
ST SIMON ZELOTES, Milner Street, SW3: 8, 7.45pm HC; 11 MP, Smart in F, Cast me not away (Wesley), Preb J Sparrow; 6.30 E Surnsion in G, Evening Hymn (Gardner), Preb J Pearce.
ST STEPHEN'S, Gloucester Road, SW7: 8, 9 LM; 11 HM, Missa a 6 voci (Gerrero), Cantantes orate (Phillips), Ff N Roberts; 6 E & B, Fr C Coreen.
THE ANNUNCIATION, Bryanston Street, W1: 11 SM & B, Missa Bell' Amirit Altera (Lassus), In nomine Jesu omnes genuflectatur (Handl), O salutaris hostia (Palestrina), Tantum ergo sacramentum (Palestrina); 6 LM & B.
ST COLUMBA'S CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, Pont Street, SW1: 11 Rev J H McIndoe; 6.30 Rev W A Cairns.
CROWN COURT CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, Cecil Court, Charing Cross Court: 6.30 Rev K G Hughes.
THE ASSUMPTION, Warwick Street, W1: 11 SM, Mass of 1651 (Monteverdi), Laudate Dominum (Prioli), Christus sanctus fuit (Byrd).
CHURCH OF OUR LADY, Leeson Grove, St. John's Wood: 10.45 SM, Missa Laetatus Sum (Victoria), Sperm in Allum (Tallis), *Ave Verum (Mozart), Salve Regina (Lotti), Ave verum corpus (Elgar).*
THE ORATORY, Brompton Road, SW7: 8, 9, 10, 12.30, 6.30, 7 LM; 11 HM, Messe du Sacre coeur (Goupod), Attollite portas (Byrd); 3.30 Vespers, Salve Regina (Tallis).
ST ETHELREDA'S, Ely Place: 11, Mass for five voices (Byrd), Cecilia Virgo (Philips).
OUR LADY OF VICTORIES, Kensington High Street, W8: 8, 9, 10, 12.30, 6.30 LM; 11.15 SM, Mass in D (Kitson), Tu Pes Gloria (Gounod).
AMERICAN CHURCH IN LONDON, W1: 11 Rev Ron F Allison.
CITY TEMPLE, Holborn, EC1: 11, 6.30 Rev E Waugh.
CHELSEA METHODIST CHURCH, King's Road, SW3: 11 Rev M Bradley; Miss A Franklin; 6 Mr L Fernando.
HINDE STREET METHODIST CHURCH, W1: 11 Rev K Howcroft; 6.30 Rev M Rothwell.
KENSINGTON URC, Allen Street, W8: 11, 6.30 Rev P Morten.
REGENT SQUARE PRESBYTERIAN URC, Tavistock Place, WC1: 11, 6.30 Rev B K Telly.
ST ANNE AND ST AGNES (Lutheran), Gresham St, EC2: 11, 7 Choral V, Very Rev C Semper.
ST JOHN'S WOOD URC, NW8: 11 Mr D Gossington.
WESLEY'S CHAPEL, City Road, EC2: 11 Rev R C Gibbins.
WESTMINSTER CENTRAL HALL (Methodist), SW1: 11, 6.30 Rev R J Tudor.
WESTMINSTER CHAPEL, Buckingham Gate, SW1: 11, 6.30 Rev Dr R T Kendall.
WESTMINSTER MEETING SOCIETY OF FRIENDS (Quakers), 62 St Martins La WC2: 11, Meeting for worship.

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OBITUARY

SIR JOHN COLVILLE

A man who saw history being made



Sir John Colville, CB, CVO, who died on November 19, aged 72, was one of the few men in British public life of whom the hackneyed phrase about "walking in the corridors of power" had real meaning. He was at Churchill's side during the war; in all he served three Prime Ministers as private secretary. And it was to him that King George VI turned when the time came to appoint a private secretary for the heir to the Throne.

"Jock" Colville moved in the highest places in the land. He saw history being made, and he had a gift with words which enabled him to set much of it down for posterity. His last book, *The Fringes of Power*, was an important portrait of Britain in the mid-twentieth century.

John Rupert Colville was born on January 28, 1915, if not with a silver spoon in his mouth, certainly into a family accustomed to moving among the mighty. His mother, Lady Cynthia Colville, was a lady-in-waiting to Queen Mary. He himself was a Page of Honour to George V.

He was educated at Harrow and Trinity College, Cambridge (Senior Scholar and a first in history). The unsurprising next step was into the Diplomatic Service in 1937.

Two years later he was seconded to 10, Downing Street, to be Assistant Private Secretary to Neville Chamberlain; at the age of 24 he had reached heights that many a politician never sees.

He was still in Downing Street when Churchill took over in the country's darkest hour.

Colville was to become one of Churchill's most loyal, and sometimes fiercest, champions, but it was not a case of love at first sight. He recorded later how on the night of the *takeover he sadly drank* a toast to the "king over the water": Chamberlain, whose Munich settlement he saw no reason to criticise.

But Churchill took a liking to the young fellow-Harrovian and fitted him into that remarkable team – working round the clock under immense pressure and subject to the often outrageous pecularities of their wayward master – who organized the war from the Cabinet War Rooms in the bowels of Whitehall. For a time Colville slept in the Prime Minister's bedroom in No 10: security demanded that Churchill himself should sleep underground; Colville preferred danger to sleeping without ventilation.

Fortunately (which cannot be said of everybody in Churchill's service with a literary bent), he made time to *keep a diary.*

There was an interruption when Churchill reluctantly agreed to allow him to go and train as a pilot. He was back at Downing Street for the last years of the war (with a further interval of active service in a Mustang squadron during the invasion of Normandy).

At the end of the war he made an unsuccessful attempt to get into Parliament as a Conservative.

He remained at No 10 briefly under Clement Attlee before *returning to his* diplomatic career, working in the Southern Department of the Foreign Office, dealing primarily with the Balkans and Greece.

In 1947, when Princess *Elizabeth* was married, his initial feeling when invited to become her Private Secretary was that it would be an anti-climax after the wartime years. He turned to Churchill, who told him: "There is no argument where the Throne is concerned." He soon found that he had entered service that could be as demanding and as interesting as No 10 had been.

In 1949 he returned to the Diplomatic Service and served as Counsellor in Lisbon until 1951 – when Churchill formed his second administration.

Once Churchill had accorded his confidence and friendship it was rarely withdrawn; and when he returned, now in his late seventies, to Downing Street, he was determined to have a well-known face close to him. Jock was *brought in as Joint Principal* Private Secretary. Churchill made use of him as a sounding board for his views (and as a bezique-playing companion).

Increasingly he was used as an intermediary with Ministers who were not in Churchill's close circle. He carried out his duties with skill and enthusiasm though they may not have added to his personal popularity: it is doubtful whether Mercury was particularly well liked by the other gods.

With his ready pen he assisted the Prime Minister with speeches, though Churchill remained the true author of his own utterances until late in his life.

Colville also played a vital, and some thought controversial, role when Churchill suffered a stroke in 1953 and the true nature of his illness was kept from the public and, to a large extent, from colleagues.

Towards the end of the Premiership he was responsible, together with Lord Cherwell *and others, for impressing* on Churchill's mind the dangers of the decreasing effectiveness in world terms of Britain's technological education. It thus came about that Churchill College at Cambridge was founded, and Colville rightly took great pride in his own leading role. (It was for his part in this foundation, as well as for his work for the National Association of Boys' Clubs, that he was knighted in 1974.)

He left Government service in 1955 and entered merchant banking, becoming a director of Grindlays Bank and of various companies.

He also continued with his *literary output,* which had begun in 1935 with *Fools' Pleasure* (about which he was somewhat silent). In 1972 he produced a partisan but effective and well-argued biography of Lord Gort.

Then, in 1976, came *Footprints in Time.* Though his memory of events sometimes differed from other people's, it nevertheless presented a clear, entertaining and most readable account, primarily of war-time episodes for which he drew on his diaries. A real, if charitable, fault lay perhaps in the fact that nearly everyone seemed to have been a jolly good chap, whereas in fact one or two of the protagonists of the incidents described were very far from that.

He followed it in 1977 with further selective reminiscences in *The New Elizabethans.*

He contributed to various newspapers, including a number of individualistic essays for *The Times.*

He was an Honorary Fellow of Churchill College and an *Officer of the Legion of* Honour. From 1981 to 1984 he was president of the Prayer Book Society.

Colville's personality was an engaging one and he was courageous and active, as well as kind, in his many pursuits. A newspaper once referred to him as "the greatest snob in England". Well, yes, he was a snob, but, as Somerset Maugham said of one of this characters, it might have been because from his earliest years he had associated with the great; and it was only a superficial, though occasionally obtrusive facet of an otherwise admirable, patriotic and industrious personality.

He married, in 1948, Lady Margaret Egerton, by whom he had two sons and a daughter.

BISHOP THOMAS PEARSON

The Right Rev Thomas Pearson, Episcopal Vicar for Cumbria (formerly Cumberland, Westmorland and Furness) from 1967 to 1983, died on November 17. He was 80.

Thomas Bernard Pearson was born at Preston on January 18, 1907. He was educated at Upholland College before going to Rome to train for the priesthood, taking a doctorate in philosophy at the Pontifical Gregorian University. He was ordained in the winter of 1933.

He then returned to England, to Blackpool, where he served as assistant priest for the next decade. Then, most unusually within the Roman Catholic Church, whose priests tend to be shunted hither and thither, Pearson inherited the parish, remaining until 1967.

His time in the Lancaster diocese was, perhaps, most fruitful in the fields of education and youth work. He served on the Blackpool Education Committee and was prominent during the late 1940s in shaping the diocese's education policy.

He early founded a local Catholic boys' association whose young members he regularly took on trips to the Lake District. The region, with its crags and peaks, was dear to the priest, who was an accomplished mountaineer.

Pearson's interest in climbing first took hold during his Italian years, and in 1942 he founded the Achille Ratti climbing club (Ratti was the family name of Pope Pius XI). Its members had tried for years to acquire a permanent home in Langdale, "the Mecca of rock climbers"; and they finally succeeded in 1955 in buying an old farm.

However, the deal included the 1,200-ft Broad Crag – and Pearson found the club's humble pursuits reported in the national Press as "Bishop Buying a Mountain".

He left St Cuthbert's in 1967, moving to Windermere and then Carlisle. As an auxiliary bishop he had charge of the rugged Cumbrian region of the diocese, visiting a scattered flock and standing in for his bishop.

Pearson was a warm, generous, and hard-working pastor. He had the best interests of the Church at heart, and he had in him the spirit of Vatican II long before it became fashionable.

On the national stage, he was chairman of the Hierarchy Commission for Religious Life in which capacity he visited and cared for the enclosed religious, especially the Carmelites. His elder sister was a Carmelite nun, and he had a particular affection for the order, which made him an honorary member – a rare gift.

He enjoyed the occasional retreat into their silent cloisters – a stark contrast to the open fells over which he walked, often alone, in his last years.

CDR D. H. MAITLAND-MAKGILL-CRICHTON

Commander David Maitland-Makgill-Crichton, DSO, DSC, who followed up distinguished wartime service with a notable career as a linguist, has died at the age of 77.

He claimed to be able to speak every European language except Welsh and Gaelic. He was an official interpreter during the famous visit to England in 1956 of the Soviet leaders, Bulganin and Khruschev (which almost ended in disaster when the British secret services, in an excess of zeal, sent the frogman Commander Crabbe to investigate the hull of the Russian cruiser in which they had travelled to Portsmouth).

His expertise in Russian was also important when he was an expert witness at the trial in 1961 of Peter and Helen Kroger, part of the "Portland spy ring," who were transmitting British naval secrets by radio from their suburban house in Ruislip. (A few years ago the story was turned into the successful play, *Pack of Lies.*) He was able to prove that the language used in some of the radio messages sent in English was based on Russian, not English, usage.

David Hugh Maitland-Makgill-Crichton (he belonged to the family whose head is the Earl of Lauderdale) won his DSC at Dunkirk and his DSO during a Malta convoy.

For a time he was head of the Joint Services Modern Languages School at Crail. Before the war he had served in the Royal Yacht, among other ships.

The Count of Barcelona, father of King Juan Carlos of Spain, has been appointed an Honorary Admiral in Her Majesty's Fleet.

Memorial Service

Sir Jasper More
The Prime Minister was represented by Mr Stephen Dorrell, MP, the Speaker by Sir John Stradling Thomas, MP, and the Chairman of the Conservative Party by Mr John Starkey at a service of thanksgiving for the life of Sir Jasper More held yesterday at St Laurence's, Ludlow. The Bishop of Hereford officiated, assisted by Prebendary John Baulch. The Lord Lieutenant of Shropshire read the lesson and Mr John Biffen, MP, gave an address.

Today's royal engagement

Prince Edward will open the National Junior Crime Prevention Conference at the Post House Hotel, Great Barr, near Walsall, at 11.50.

Royal College of Radiologists

Mr J.L. Hayward yesterday delivered the annual Skinner lecture to the Royal College of Radiologists at Regent's College after Professor C.R. Hill and Professor P.N.T. Wells had been admitted to Honorary Fellowship. Professor E. Rhys Davies, President of the Royal College of Radiologists, presided at a dinner held afterwards.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Lord Cobbold will be held at St Lawrence Jew

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A WEEKLY GUIDE TO LEISURE ENTERTAINMENT AND THE ARTS

GUMSHOE IN THE CLOISTERS

NEW LIGHT WILL BE SHED NEXT WEEK ON THE GIRL IN THE CATHEDRAL, A SCANDAL WHICH SHOOK THE CHURCH AND INTRIGUED THE PUBLIC 66 YEARS AGO. BRIAN JAMES MEETS THE MAN WHO ASSESSED THE EVIDENCE

Photographs by Graham Wood



Sleathing at Peterborough: Dr John Treherne, zoologist, president of Downing College, Cambridge, investigator and author

The nurse in a Southall hospital asked: "You're looking for Freda Hansen? She's along here — Room 6." In 1920, anyone who could have led the way to this same Freda Hansen would have become instantly rich. "The Girl in the Cathedral?" recalled the smiling 84-year-old woman in Room 6 a few moments later. "Yes, that's me. Though I haven't been called that in 60 years and more."

The search across the nation for the Girl in the Cathedral, and the £2,000 reward that went with her, filled the newspapers of 1920. She was the missing witness in one of the most vivid scandals of the post-Great War age, the one person who could possibly clear the name of John Wakeford, Archdeacon of Lincoln Cathedral, who stood accused of immorality.

Naughty vicars rate 10 lines in newspapers today. Yet the Wakeford Case (which is outlined on the right) was a gift for the gossips of 1920, a period rank with post-Victorian hypocrisy, yet a-quiver, too, with the modish ideas of a generation that had survived the trenches.

The best lawyers of the land, the King's advisers in the Privy Council, were to become involved, together with a cast of conspiring churchmen, hunting squires and cock-fighting parsons, obsequious Masonic policemen and frightened maid-servants, that no modern novelist would dare assemble.

But the girl was the key. And it was finding her last year and listening to her story that persuaded Dr John Treherne, research scientist, to "put on my other hat, and once more start playing detective". With the result that his book on the affair, published next week, re-appraises the evidence, and convincingly argues that Wakeford was framed.

Treherne, a stocky, affable academic, is a man not easily typecast: prominent zoologist, leader of a team of researchers trying to rid the world of its more harmful insects, president of Downing College, Cambridge, he has also earned literary fame as an investigator of past mysteries.

While in the Galapagos probing the life-style of crawling things, he was fascinated by the tale of other former inhabitants: a baroness with a taste for odd lovers, a group of nude fanatics, a high-seas adventurer. Most had vanished in mysterious circumstances. Treherne asked around, wrote an hypothesis on a few slips of paper which was shown to a publisher who telephoned within the day to say: "Congratulations. You have written a best-seller." He had; *The Galapagos Affair* is soon also to become a film.

Why Wakeford now? "A friend came across a reference to Wakeford in the Sassoon Diaries. I made inquiries, and became fascinated. The doings around Lincoln Cathedral out-did by a mile the mischief-making of Barchester Towers. And half the people, like Wakeford's great enemy, the Rector of Appelby Magna, the Reverend Charles T. Moore, were a page ripped from Dickens.

"After three months, I found the girl. She was so transparently honest, she convinced me that John Wakeford was a victim of a monstrous plot. No way to stop now."

At 84, Freda Hansen is a sweetheart still: you can see the prettiness of the 17-year-old sheltering from the rain in the cathedral that April day. "The archdeacon? I remember him well. Such a lovely upright man, such a lovely voice. He was so kind and interesting — told me the story of the place, showed me the Queens' tombs, helped me buy postcards."

Then why not come forward, to save him? "I was only 17. Just married. You daren't get mixed up in a thing like that. Seemed so fishy. Masons and all that. What if someone said that it was *me* in the hotel?

"Even so, I would have come forward for that poor man. But my husband said no. We had our own problems. His cycle-shop had burnt down. He was in debt. And I think the police might have told him to mind our own business — and clear off out of Peterborough."

When she did come forward, it was into a mad world. She told her simple story under huge headlines, then again in her own words in theatres and music halls about the land as she travelled as Wakeford's star witness in a newspaper-organized campaign to clear his name. Freda Hansen never did get the promised £2,000. "It would have been a fortune then, changed our lives." Her only memento is the printer's block used to make the postcards she autographed by the thousand.

None of the other key figures still lives. But the two men at the heart of the matter, John Wakeford and his rival, the Rev Moore, are survived by their sons, both marvellously upright military men, each resolute in defence of his father's role.

"That case!" barks Brigadier John Wakeford, aged 89, who came back, as a subaltern, from service in northern Russia to give evidence for the archdeacon. "It was like a top-hat and brown boots — all wrong. Just didn't fit. Don't say he was an easy man to get along with. Very intolerant. Upset more than his share. But those who knew him knew that what they got him with was all wrong.

"Lot of the details were like that. Like having him drink whisky or beer. Never happened. He would drink claret or Calvados. Nothing else. A man of very fixed ideas and habits, and this, this *thing* they put against him, right out of character. My father never gave up fighting. Drove him in on himself. Became obsessive to prove his innocence. It drove him off his head."

Was that the way of a man who had been caught out? "No, if he *had* done what they said, he would simply have slid off sideways, made himself a different life.

"No, they did for him. His brother-in-law, the Rev Herbert Worthington, hated him. So did old Small-Fry, that's Dean Fry. A jumped-up little man, who jumped up a long way to get rid of the archdeacon. For my father's sake, I would like to see him vindicated. He would be a joyous angel if it was being put right."

Major Aubrey Moore thinks hard, then: "Look, no one would call my dear dad a parsonic man. I was brought up in Appleby Rectory with six servants — we'd go off shooting every year with a cook, groom, three maids and 22 pieces of luggage. Father loved to ride point-to-point. He used to turn up to take services still in his hunting pink. 'Can't start the performance until Punch arrives, me boy!' And he'd never actually deny tales that he used the family pew for cock-fighting.

"He was friendly with Worthington in the next parish. Lot in common. Especially, they couldn't *stand* Wakeford. Ghastly type. Jumped-up, full of his own importance. Real bigot. Tried to do for my dad with some trumped-up story about a woman: my dad and some old duck, fat as the cook! He was 71 at the time, but he could have done better for himself had he a mind! Still, the story hurt my mother, gave her a stroke. Dad never forgave Wakeford. But I don't think he went out of his way to do him down."

Perhaps he had no need. As Major Moore spoke, a photograph on the wall of his home provided a clue to what really happened. It was of the major at his wedding. In the throng is the family cook, and her fiancé, a former village policeman called Agar. It was Agar who Dr Treherne shows to have been crucial in gathering the evidence against Wakeford, including interviewing — or briefing — fellow Masons in the Peterborough police force, whose evidence, albeit garbled, was to be so damning.

"I think Moore, who seemed to be a likeable, Dickensian old rogue, had as many friends as Wakeford had enemies," concludes Treherne, the detective don. "And they saw the chance to bring down the upstart in their circle. But my chief conclusion is that the greatest, most crucial mistake was Lord Birkenhead's — in not realizing that the conspiracy against Wakeford did not *need* to be planned in advance. Given the number of people in this claustrophobic, back-biting world surrounding the cloisters at Lincoln Cathedral who resented Wakeford for his autocratic ways, it was ludicrously easy to construct the plot *after* his fateful visit to Peterborough."

A CASE OF CONSPIRACY IN THE CATHEDRAL?

The Wakeford Case began in February 1921, when the Archdeacon of Lincoln Cathedral appeared before an ecclesiastical court. The allegation was that he arrived with his supposed doxy at the Bull Hotel, Peterborough, spent the night with her, paraded her around the cathedral the next day, and stayed another night with her in the hotel.

Produced was an hotel register which had originally indicated that the archdeacon signed in alone. But — according to the innkeeper — the archdeacon was *not* alone, and he had to be persuaded later to pencil in the added words "and wife". The archdeacon insisted that the addition was in another hand.

Wakeford was already famous: first as a radical rural missioner arousing sleepy West Country villages. Then at Liverpool his uncompromising high church stance had mobs of 60,000 stoning his church . . . now such a man was on trial for immorality!

The case seemed full of holes. For every witness claiming to have seen him with a woman, another had seen him dining alone. Wakeford's explanation for the girl in the cathedral was that a young stranger had asked his help in locating the tombs of Mary Queen of Scots and Catherine of Aragon.

'Society women literally fought for places at the hearing'

Yet the hearing (two of the five assessors were later shown to be Wakeford's enemies in the feuding world of cathedral life) found him guilty. There was uproar. Within five days £1,800 had been subscribed by the public for an appeal. A brief hearing of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council concluded that there were injustices: the entire case must be reheard.

That hearing, throughout April 1921, brought together some of the most famous men in Britain. Lord Birkenhead (F. E. Smith) as Lord Chancellor presided, assisted by two Law Lords. Sir Edward Carson (the man who had prosecuted Oscar Wilde) appeared for Wakeford. Douglas Hogg (later Viscount Hailsham, the Lord Chancellor) led for the Bishop of Lincoln.

The hearing, at 9 Downing Street, was the only place to be that spring month: the smartest women in society literally fought for places. Carson was brilliant, pointing up the clear confusion of the police evidence, and hinting darkly at the role of the Rev Charles Moore, who had himself been hauled before a consistory court on Wakeford's instigation to answer charges of consorting with a woman of ill repute. Moore had sworn to get even with Wakeford, said Carson, and it was odd how many of Moore's friends and their acquaintances were witnesses against the archdeacon.

But Hogg's most compelling argument concerned the Girl in the Cathedral: she could, with a word, save the archdeacon. "There can be no reason this girl should not come forward. She would have been found by now, *unless* she was the woman with the archdeacon."

Lord Birkenhead's judgement, said to be the finest of his career, stated that Wakeford's defence hung on his claim to be a victim of a conspiracy. But as no one had *known* the archdeacon was to be in Peterborough on these occasions, how could any plot have been prepared? The verdict, therefore, was guilty.

The uproar was to last another year and more. *The Times* was incredulous at the verdict. The robust weekly *John Bull* offered £2,000 to anyone who would find the Girl in the Cathedral. Eventually Freda Hansen did come forward . . . to confirm the archdeacon's story. In 1922 a petition weighing half a hundredweight was presented to the King. "Victory In Sight," proclaimed *John Bull*. But soon the newspaper was off on another scent; the public had tired of Wakeford.

John Wakeford continued stomping the land, seeking support until his mind crumbled and 1930 he died in an asylum. His coffin was inscribed simply: "John Wakeford, Priest."

Dangerous Precincts *by John Treherne is published on Thursday by Jonathan Cape, price £10.95.*

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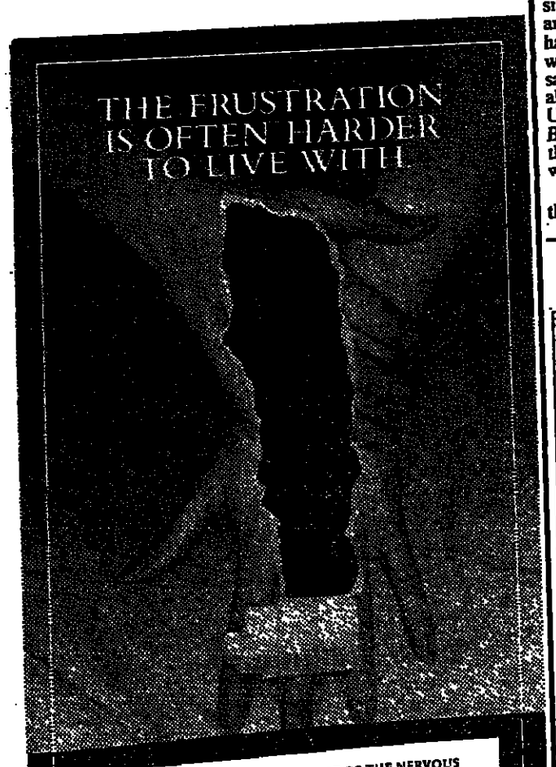
Major Aubrey Moore with (inset) his father, the Rev Charles T. Moore, and Wakeford's great enemy: "Father used to take services in his hunting pink. But the people — they loved him. Wakeford tried to do for him with some trumped-up story about a woman: my dad and some old duck! Dad never forgave him."



Brigadier John Wakeford with (inset) his father, Archdeacon John Wakeford, charged with immorality: "Not an easy man to get along with. But those who knew him knew that what they got him with was all wrong. A man of very fixed ideas and habits, and this *thing* they put against him, right out of character."



Freda Hansen as she is now at 84 and (inset) at 17: "The archdeacon? I remember him well. Such a lovely upright man. He was so kind and interesting — told me the story of the place, showed me the Queens' tombs. I remember clearly hearing all the gossip about the case, then seeing my description in the paper. I was very excited and told my husband: 'Why, that's me they're looking for. I am the girl'. He said we should have nothing to do with it . . . police, vicars, bishops, goings-on in hotels . . . that sort of thing was not for the likes of us. He was right, I was silly. Just think of my reputation!"



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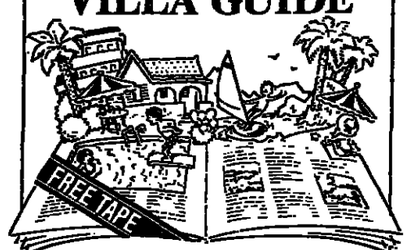
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TRAVEL 1

Peace keepers on the piste

Shona Crawford Poole reports on the appointment of the first European ski police and reviews the latest ski guidebooks



Zermatt's appointment of 30 skiing policemen is intended "to put the skids under the rowdies and rogue skiers". They are empowered to take legal action against people who are a danger to other skiers. Skiing recklessly, which usually means too fast, or crashing into another skier will earn a warning for a first offence. Lift passes will be confiscated for a second.

Zermatt is the first, and so far the only European resort to protect skiers' safety this way. But in America, although the details of policing provision vary from mountain to mountain, safe skiing is rigorously enforced. Piste markers command fast skiers to slow down in areas used by novices, and obedience to out of bounds markers and queuing procedures is firmly maintained.

Piste police may soon become widespread for a combination of reasons. Better equipment has cut the proportion of skiing accidents which result in broken legs. Not that the increasing number of knee injuries have less serious long-term consequences than broken bones.

***Sophisticated ski technology*, however, allows racers to clock up *average* speeds of over 70mph. Television coverage ensures that we all see them do it and thrill-seekers copy the racers on pistes that have not been cleared for racing.**

***Ski extreme* films and videos, which are almost a cult among French and Swedish skiers, glamorize feats of steep and dangerous skiing which young men seek to emulate.**

Increasingly, perhaps regrettably, skiing on groomed marked runs is seen as tame stuff. The feeling is that real skiers are doing it off piste. Which may be true, but real skiers don't go off piste without guides – unless they are the guides – and without the proper equipment.

Of course no one would want to ski if it was risk free. But cutting injuries and fatalities need not reduce the excitement of the sport or its challenges. Policing pistes is welcome, but it is only a partial remedy. Obeying the rules depends on knowing them and the International Skiing Federation's rules for the conduct of skiers are seldom taught, even in ski school classes.

As the *Good Skiing Guide* points out "two aspects of the rules are not widely known. One is that the slower or downhill skier does not have absolute priority. On red and black runs, slow skiers have an obligation to keep out of the way of fast skiers for whom the runs are intended. And the other is that the slower skier's priority covers only 'normal manoeuvres'; if judged to have made abnormal ones, such as sudden changes of direction, you have no priority."

The full list is published in the *Good Skiing Guide*, (Consumers' Association, £9.95), or can be obtained from the Ski Club of Great Britain by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope marked FIS Rules to the club's headquarters at 118 Eaton Square, London SW1 W9AF.

Dangers on the slippery slopes – page 16

Guide to guides

TRAVEL BOOKS

***The Good Skiing Guide* 1988**, published by the Consumers' Association and Hodder and Stoughton at £9.95
The Daily Mail/Audi Ski Guide 1988, from Ocean Publications, £9.95
Debrett's Ski Resorts of Europe, published by Sterling Publications

If ski-talk is the next best thing to doing it, the best place to do it is its most popular topic. The choice is so great – over three hundred European resorts attract British skiers on package holidays – that up to date resort reports are the core curriculum of the guide books.

This winter there are only three runners: *The Good Skiing Guide 1988*; *The Daily Mail/Audi Ski Guide 1988*, and *Debrett's Ski Resorts of Europe*, which is distributed free to "selected entries in Debrett's Directories and to a proportion of the membership of the Ski Club of Great Britain". It costs the rest of us £10.45.

The choice is between the coolly reasoned and the blatantly partisan. The first two are seriously useful. The third is good for a giggle or for a second opinion on the handful of resorts, just 33, its reporters covered. But if it matters to know which British families have returned year after year to the Trois Vallées, then Debrett's is the guide to consult.

The strength of the other two guides is the comprehensiveness of their coverage. *The Daily Mail/Audi Guide*, now in its 17th season, adds Norway, Sweden, Czechoslovakia and Germany to the list of ski areas away from the mainstream – Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Romania, The Pyrennees, and Andorra covered by both. It also carries hotel prices as well as recommendations and useful charts of resort and top station altitudes, comparative lift pass prices, ski school rates and much more.

The newer *Good Skiing Guide*, now in its third season, is better designed than its competitors, adding good looks to its other advantage of clarity both of writing and design. The only bone I have to pick with the *Good Skiing Guide* is with its closet elitism.

Will I ever feel competent to give St Anton a swing? Perhaps not if I rely on the *Good Skiing Guide*. But Carol Thatcher, writing for Debrett's, makes it sound more fun than fearful, so maybe that's the best place to go after all.

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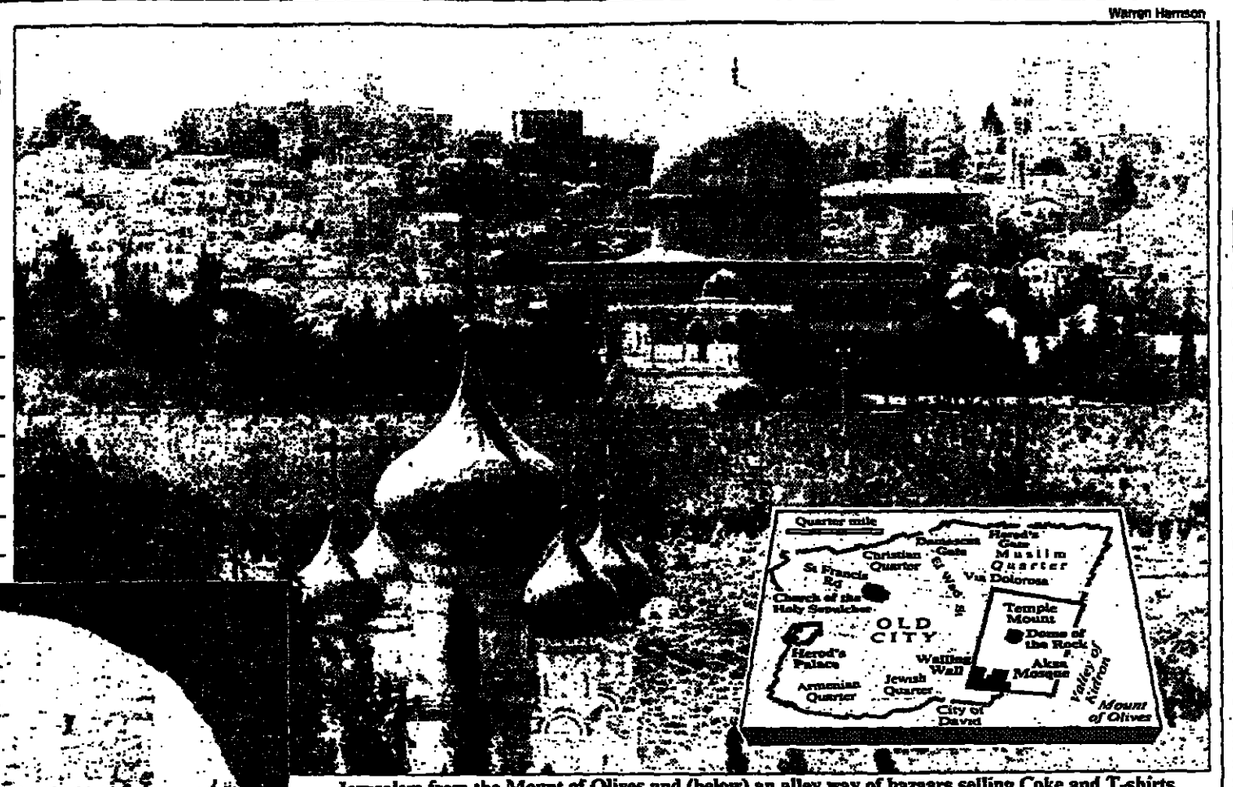
TRAVEL 2

Digging up the Bible

INSIDER GUIDE JERUSALEM

Under the streets of Jerusalem, buried beneath centuries of rubble, archaeologists have opened some tiny windows through which to glimpse the distant past. The Bible is an essential guide book our correspondent, Ian Murray, reports

Warren Harrison



Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives and (below) an alley way of bazaars selling Coke and T-shirts

Jerusalem is for walkers. The Old City can lay claim to being one of the largest pedestrian precincts anywhere, a maze of lanes flanked by shops bright with tourist trappings, and souks redolent with spices.

It is compact, enclosed within the splendid 16th-century walls. The major sites can be seen in a morning provided the feet are sound. Another half day, just wandering, always reveals corners seemingly forgotten by the centuries. It is all picture book stuff but it is not really the Old City where David reigned, for which the Babylonian captives wept, or where Herod built.

That city is underground, buried under centuries of rubble. Successive conquests by rival religions have insured it has been systematically destroyed more often than almost any other city. But beneath the rubble, through up to 27 layers of habitation, archaeologists have opened some tiny windows through which to glimpse the distant past. Their revelations make the Bible an essential complement to any guide book.

Most complete of all is the incredible system of shafts and tunnels between the real City of David, which lies along the ridge running south from the south-west corner of the present walls. Through this twists and turns Hezekiah's tunnel, running for 550 yards under the ridge, cut *(2 Kings, Chapter 20; 2 Chronicles, Chapter 32)* to protect the Gihon spring and carry its waters safely into the city.



Reflections of yesterday: the water system at the end of Hezekiah's tunnel

With a torch, gym shoes and a pair of shorts, it is possible to walk through this 7th century BC engineering triumph, the water rising just to your knees, to emerge blinking in the sunshine beside the pool where *(John, Chapter 9)* Christ made a blind man see.

The springs had been tapped even earlier by an amazing tunnel which begins inside the old defensive walls and runs underground to a point some 35 feet above the spring where a vertical shaft was cut to the water. With a metal staircase and electric lights, the climb is not too bad. Imagine slithering up the slimy slope with scarcely any light and with the weight of 10 gallons of water on the back and it is not so pleasant. In Old Testament times this was women's work.

Men's work underground was in what is now the huge cave beneath the Muslim quarter of the city. Here were cut the tens of thousands of huge stones needed to build the Hasmonean and Herodian walls and buildings in the second and first centuries BC. These man made halls are so vast that *(2 Kings, Chapter 25: Jeremiah, Chapter 52)* they were believed to reach all the way to Jericho.

They do, perhaps, reach to the north walls of Herod's Temple complex, but the money needed for the necessary research to prove it, is just not available. However it is possible to walk the quarter of a mile length of the western wall, from the open air plaza through the synagogue and, with special permission from the rabbi on the wall, to the huge water shaft cut by the Hasmoneans to bring rain water from north of the city to the Temple.

The new tunnel follows the wall side road planned by Herod linking his palace in the south with the Antonia Fortress in the north. On one side are the huge dressed stones, one of them 400 tons. Above is 50 foot of rubble with old Jerusalem on top.

The Hasmonean pool at the end of the tunnel was vaulted over by Hadrian in the second century AD and a large open forum built above it. At the moment the vaulted pool, still with clear water in it, is divided in two and the other half has to be seen from beneath the Ecce Homo Convent off the Via Dolorasa.

The convent covers other clear pools and water channels, but its prize exhibit, one floor up but still underground, is part of the forum paving, carved with games by bored Roman soldiers. Christ's clothes *(John, Chapter 19)* are believed to have been wagered at such a game.

Another underground Roman forum has been uncovered at the Damascus Gate with the help of a sixth century AD mosaic map of Jerusalem discovered at Madaba in Jordan: This showed a colonaded road leading south from the gate from a forum right across the second century AD Roman city. Five years ago, on the evidence of the map, Yitzhak Yaacobi, who, as manager of the East Jerusalem Development Company, is in charge of underground Jerusalem, started digging. Two splendid towers and the paving of the forum deep beneath the walls have been



uncovered so far and the work goes on.

The discovered Jerusalem underground is not extensive. Politics and lack of money mean it probably never will be. But what there is gives a real flavour of the past and, when the sun gets too hot, the sites have the great advantage of being cool.

Most eating out in Jerusalem is done walking the streets with a stuffed pitta bread sandwich in one hand and a tin of Coke in the other. For those, like me, who prefer to sit while eating the choice beyond the big impersonal kosher hotels is somewhat limited and many prefer to go to Tel Aviv to find a good restaurant.

But Finks (234 523), where Kissinger couldn't get a table, is fun and filling in an east European way. Notre Dame (289 273), which the Vatican runs, caters for French tastes as does Katy (234 621) which does delightful, expensive things with ducks. Mishkenot Shaainin (225 110) does expensive things with everything, but for those who want to sit where Elizabeth Taylor sat and see one of the finest views of the Old City while eating, this is the place.

Arab meals start with mezza (salads) and move on to charcoal-grilled meats to rich desserts. At restaurants like the Philadelphia (289 770) or the roof of the National Palace Hotel (282 246), the mezza alone is enough. If you have time for lunch in Jericho — just half an hour away — then try the same cuisine in the gardens of the many restaurants along the road.

Last, but by no means least, is the American Colony Hotel (282 421), home from home for journalists the world over, a pasha's palace, turned American hostel mission, now British-owned and Swiss managed, where the fountain and gin and tonics tinkle in the bright garden courtyard and where the menu is as cosmopolitan as the hotel's romantic history.

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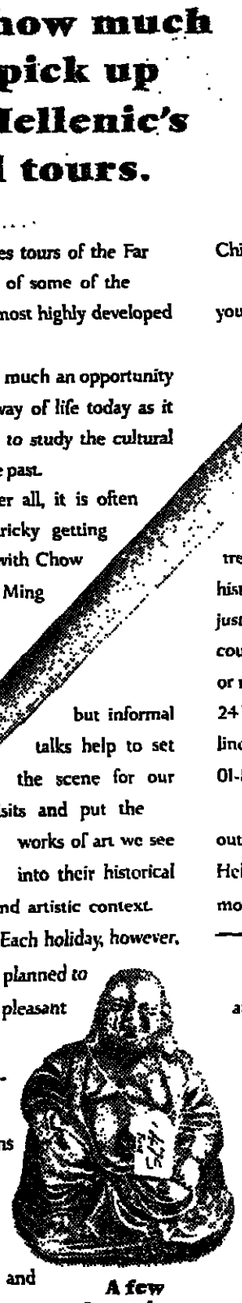
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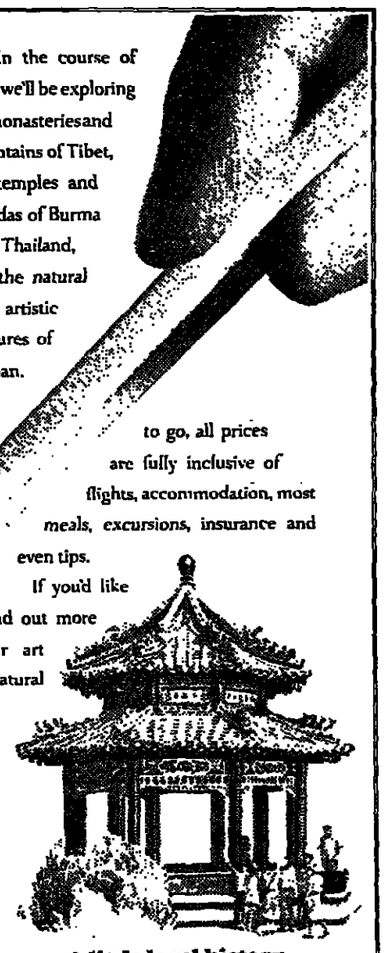


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TRAVEL 3

Dangers on the slippery slopes



Fierce competition among holiday companies to provide ski guides is leading to a serious drop in safety standards, warns Brian James



Snow victim: a doctor carries one of 12 people buried by an avalanche near Salzburg, Austria

"Right," said this bronzed and personable young man, "my name's Henry, OK? Your guide. Weather's a bit bloody, but I thought we'd go up the top station and see how we go. OK?"

"OK," we chorused, and followed him out into what would have been a thin drizzle in, say, Manchester, but translated into steady snow flurries in Méribel in the French Alps. We followed him up in the lift *through* a sort of white darkness, then out into a total blizzard on the ridge.

Within 50 seconds and five paces we were isolated. Henry — "I don't think they've pisted this bit" — was a blueish blur, who disappeared suddenly from view. One by one the seven of us followed him over the unseen lip and were immediately waist-high in snow on a 60-degree slope.

"Try to keep together," said Henry, or rather a voice from somewhere below and away to the right. We floundered down. We *heard him again* checking us out from 50 yards below, now off somewhere on the left. Helping each other up, finding each other's skis and poles, we blundered on down the slope until brought to a halt by a sharp and angry shout: "What are doing here? Do you know where you are? You must go off. This is dangerous. This is not the piste. You are all mad. It is not allowed."

The speaker, a man in the uniform of the Méribel ski school, said he had come down to us when he heard the cursing. Then he led us on a tricky traverse hundreds of yards to the pole-marked piste.

Next day, under clear skies, it was possible to see the mangled snow where we had been, above — but not much above — *the point* where the slope became a drop and rocks rose black above the snow. We had escaped lightly. My face and fingers were frost-nipped: most of us were sore and strained. I was still too angry to seek out Henry and ask why he had taken us there, and why he seemed no more competent than the rest of us when it came to extricating ourselves.

A member of our party who had turned back in the face of the blizzard explained both puzzles: "Did you not hear what he was saying on the way up? That he came here to ski-bum away the winter, dish-washing. And that as he was wandering about the slopes a tour operator had appointed him as a guide. He had only been skiing himself for *five weeks*!"

The story of our Henry is frightening because he is not alone. The next week we dined out on someone else's horror-story: their "Henry" arrived beaming goodwill at 10.50am for a 9.30 rendezvous, stopped his party *midway on a tricky* three-valley tour to send one woman back alone — "You aren't good enough for this group" — and felt it hilarious at the lunch break to confess he hadn't a clue whether those in his safe-keeping numbered eight, 10 or a dozen.

Increasingly, tour operators are offering the services of ski guides as a selling-point in this competitive field. Increasingly, alpine professionals are warning of the dangers. The smart resort of Courchevel ordered unhesitatingly the arrest and deportation of some young men touring the cafés and offering their services as guides and instructors. *An insistence on some* proof of qualification from tour employees is a logical and likely next step, I was told.

Ali Ross, the Scottish ski guru, said: "This ski-guiding boom is a disaster waiting for a place to happen. It can be only a matter of time before one of these clowns leads a dozen holidaymakers over a cliff.

"Even if they can ski like Klammer, they simply don't know enough. Five weeks, you say? Five years minimum might give him a chance. Did you see any other groups up there? No way — the pros would never be so daft."

Similar points were made to me in Austria's St Anton, for this is a trans-alpine problem. Operators will be told that they may send guides to show *people the resort on one day at* the start of the week only, said Harald Rofner, director of the ski-school: "Only on the piste, never powder-snow. And we shall watch them closely: any guide we feel is not setting safe standards must go away.

"This week we had to pull two young Swedes out of an avalanche in a place that was closed. They had jackets with badges — guides."

Josep Mallaun, 29, one of St Anton's most experienced guides, toured the area with me, emphasizing the traps: "*This valley is closed. Yet it* looks so safe. What the *locals* know is what is beneath the snow. Here it is shiny grass. The first snow that falls on that is like rice, little granules: when the temperature is critical they become like wheels ... the whole mass above them can slide in a second."

Mallaun had a rucksack. It contained a first-aid kit, a foil blanket, a *collapsible* shovel, an extendable pole for prodding into drifts, a "bleeper" giving off a traceable signal *even from 20 metres deep* under an avalanche, sun cream, a spare cap and goggles, mittens, glucose and chocolate: "Even if you were an elderly woman being taken down a simple run, I would be equipped the same. The mountains are where change comes *without warning.*"

Any ski rep offering more than a gentle fair-weather glide over the terrain to point out the best cafés and the short-cuts home should be subjected to intensive grilling on his or her competence. The life you thus save might be your own.

EATING OUT

If it's Monday it has to be bouillabaisse

Jonathan Meades discovers that his fish restaurant theory is not always true

Francis Mosley



The best pizza is to be found at a specialist pizzeria (Castello at Elephant and Castle), the best couscous is to be found at a specialist couscous house (*Laurent, Golders Green*), yet the best fish is not to be found in "fish" restaurants.

Of course, a one-dish *specialization* is different from a generic specialization, but that quantative difference still doesn't explain why so many fish chefs cook either as though they have never seen a fin before or, according to some ancient formula which requires them to indulge in *over-cooking and over-saucing.*

The explanation may be that a talented chef does not wish to restrict his or her repertoire to the purely piscine — so I set out to gather evidence to back up this contention. And I failed dismally.

The first point of failure was a Monday night at **L'Hippocampe**, which does nothing but fish and — added *bonus*, fuel to my prejudice — is set in one of the most dismal streets in West London, a street where it always seems to be raining, even when it isn't. It was raining. The neon outside the place is a resistible invitation to Raymond Chandler parody. The beginner's *hi-tech inside is merely risible.* The waiter, a yet undiscovered French film star, offered no menu, and was surprised to be asked for a couple.

Without waiting for our order, he put down soup bowls in front of us. "We're having soup then?" "You're having bouillabaisse." He sounded pretty definite. At the bottom of the menu it does, indeed, state that "on Mondays bouillabaisse *will be served.*" It doesn't say that there's no choice. So bouillabaisse it was, the best bouillabaisse ever.

I've not been to the Restaurant de Bacon at Cap d'Antibes, but I've done time in Marseille and Toulon, and all along the coast, and this really was better than anything I've eaten there.

The Bacon practice of filleting the fish is followed, and the broth is served separately — and limitlessly. It is properly thin, authentically intense, and the colour of *earthenware. It is not served* with rouille — an instance of admirable restraint. The fishes include the essential rancasse, which is sweet and slightly oily, monkfish, deliciously creamy gunard, John Dory and red *mullet; with them are* served waxy boiled potatoes. The entire ensemble is correct, simple and well worth crossing London for; it will make you realize that the fuss about this dish is not a folkloric fabrication.

A similar restraint was manifest in a first course of marinaded salmon with no sauce to mask its flavour and in a well-dressed salad of mussels and quail eggs. The sweets are not up to the standard of what precedes them. The management, *which is on the point of* buying the taped *oeuvre* of Michel Sardou in order to render this a total outpost of France, is charming. With lots of white wine and some kümmel, this great feast costs £79.

Point so far memorably disproved, and in the most agreeable manner. It was rather wretchedly disproved at **57, Jermyn Street**, a swanky *new basement establishment* done out with loud restraint in pale grey with the usual side serving of post modern classical trimmings — marbling, pilasters, columns, etc. A flashily dressed lady greeter mispronounces the addenda to the imaginatively priced *menu*, mispronounces them in English, that is, then waggles off to a point where she is unbeckonable by any of the rare occupied tables.

This is not a "fish" restaurant: it is not only not a "fish" restaurant, it is a restaurant with two chefs, one *with the prefix* "executive". What this excess of stove-hands results in is ambitious over-complication and perfectly realized pretension. The dishes are essentially centrifugal, they are needlessly added to, pointlessly embellished.

A scallop "sausage" — that is, an off-white mousse — is sauced with orange juice and served with spinach cooked in strongly flavoured game stock (hare, maybe, or ancient pheasant): the several bad ideas were all executed with technical aplomb, but the lack of taste was startling.

Then there is something called snow potatoes with caviar and smoked salmon for £22. Snow potatoes are cold mashed potatoes made without olive oil or cream, shoved through an extruder that gives them the look of spaghetti. Place on top one dessert-spoonful of caviar, one of salmon eggs, dump a slice of smoked salmon besides all this, and add a baby spinach salad. Count the mark-up.

Main courses are just as extravagantly dumb: fishcakes made of lobster and sea bass with lemon grass and mint. That, at any rate, is what it said. The lobster cakes cost £16 for a pair, each one *circumferentially akin to* the bottom of a straight beer glass (a "sleever") and the depth of a cigarette packet.

This restaurant offers, among its preposterously priced sweets, a savoury of port and Stilton. You get a bath-plug size bit of cheese 'n' cream topped by a disc of port jelly that has no flavour, yet contaminates the meld beneath it with its colour. A nasty £104 for what I've listed, plus an amusingly priced white Mercurey, two Kirs and a bottle of fizzy water.

L'Hippocampe: 131a Munster Road, London SW6 (Tel: 01-736 5588) Mon to Fri 12.30-2.30pm and 7.30-11pm. Sat 7.30-11pm. Closed Sun.
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IN THE GARDEN

Warming up winter

Clare Roberts



Sunless November days call for glamorous plants and you can scarcely get more showy than the nerines. Crowning their tall stems are clusters of lucent pink flowers, each like a tiny *lily with arching petals.*

The first consideration is the site, which must be sheltered and sunny as the bulbs need *warmth to encourage* flower buds to form. This means that although the nerines do not flower until as late as October or November, they must not be shaded by other plants — although they will happily share their bed with species such as Liriope or *Viola elatior.*

Nerines do well on poorish soils but good drainage is essential, and they need some organic material. To prepare the soil, incorporate some leaf mould and coarse sand and grit, mixing it thoroughly into the bed. The bulbs themselves should be planted as soon as you get hold of them, with their necks just level with the surface, 6-8in apart. Some bulbs will flower in their first year, but they may take a season or two to settle in properly. In spring, they appreciate a feed of bonemeal (which is rich in phosphorus) but keep clear of nitrogenous fertilizers and disturbance if you want a good show of flowers.

The bulbs will increase by offsets but they should be divided only when they become overcrowded, which even in the happiest bed should not be more than every five or six years. They will survive a touch of frost, but it *is safer to cover them with a* thick layer of straw or bracken after the foliage has begun to yellow (remove this protection as soon as the weather is mild enough).

Nerines raised in pots make a dramatic and long-lived display if brought into the *house in the autumn* — in colder regions this is the safest way to raise them. Grow them in a good John Innes No 2 potting compost, placing up to three bulbs in a 6in pot. Water when lower than 50°F (10°C) during the winter, moving them into the sun.

Good forms of both these species of nerine may be ordered from the Beth Chatto Nursery, Elmstead Market, Colchester, CO7 7DB.

Francesca Greenoak

GARDEN NEWS

Blunt secateurs can tear and damage plant growth so now is the time to make sure they are sharp. Owners *of Felco secateurs can* send them back to the manufacturers for maintenance (Burton McCall, Samuel Street, Leicester, LE1N 1RU). *They come back* nicely oiled, de-rusted and good as new for the minimal cost of a £1.50 handling charge.

It *is quite easy to do the* sharpening yourself in most *cases. Examine the* secateurs, and you will see that the large cutting blade has a bevelled edge on one side only. This is the only *part which requires attention.*

With a small hone or sharpening stone apply a few strokes at the approximate angle at which the edge is set.

Check the reverse side and if you have made any burrs, wipe them away with the stone flat on the blade.

WEEKEND TIPS

● If weather is unsuitable for planting, bury the bare roots of roses and other shrubs and trees in the soil *until you can plant them* properly.

● Make sure your greenhouse heater is keeping the correct temperature by using a max/min thermometer. (A neat and reliable model with digital display is available from Diplex, PO Box 172, Watford, Hertfordshire, WD1 1BX.)

● Plant hedges of hawthorn, beech, cherry plum and other deciduous trees.

● Lift dahlias if you haven't already done so.

● Plant raspberries 18in apart, burying bottom buds just below the soil surface, and cutting the shoots back to about 12in.

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DRINK

Mark Pepper



Thirsty work: *The Times* panel (from left), Robin Young, Don Hewitson, Jane MacQuitty, Joseph Berkmann and Neil Sommerfelt, begin tasting the Beaujolais Nouveau

Despite appalling weather, the quality of the new Beaujolais is being hailed as something of a miracle. **Jane MacQuitty** put it to the test

From water came wine

The grapevine says that this year's Beaujolais Nouveau is a *miracle*. No, not just another publicity stunt, but for once hard news about the quality of the vintage. Miraculously, it seems, the doom and gloom emanating from the early 1987 Nouveau reports has evaporated overnight to give way to what the local Beaujolais paper predictably has described as "the vintage of the century."

Prospects looked grim from the start with a severe winter, followed by a chilly, damp spring. Things picked up slightly with a hot, humid summer, but violent storms at the end of August dashed growers' hopes again.

Just as all seemed lost, three hot, uninterrupted weeks of perfect sunny weather, complete with record-breaking temperatures of 37ºC, saved the vintage; and evidence for this miracle is provided by our line-up of 25 different, widely distributed Nouveaux. This year's wine has a good crimson purple colour plus a vibrant, fruity, taste and a firm, zesty finish. It is a better Nouveau by far than 1986 and 1985; vigorous, light in style and remarkably consistent. In short, one of the best I have tasted.

For its annual tasting *The Times* went back to its old haunt: Shampers Wine Bar in Kingly Street, London W1. Joining me (JMQ) in this early morning task were Robin Young (RY) from *The Times*, Beaujolais enthusiast Don Hewitson (DH) from the Cork & Bottle wine bar group, and wine merchants Joseph Berkmann (JB), responsible for Georges Duboeuf, and new Master of Wine recruit Neil Sommerfelt (NS) from Berry Bros & Rudd. As usual all the wines were tasted blind and JB and NS's marks on their own Beaujolais were discounted.



Georges Duboeuf Beaujolais Nouveau: "rich and vibrant. Delicious classic Nouveau style"

TOP TWO

1987 Georges Duboeuf Beaujolais Nouveau: Davisons, £2.99; Le Nez Rouge, 12 Brewery Road, London N7, £3.06; The Victoria Wine Company, £3.59; Threshers, £3.79.
Bouquets all round for Monsieur Duboeuf's attractive flowered bottle: "Pretty crimson purple colour, rich, vibrant bonbon-berry fruit and delicious classic Nouveau style" (JMQ), "good Gamay nose and flavour . . . great!" (DH), "ripe, fruity, well-made" (NS).

1987 Beaujolais Nouveau, Caves Coopérative Beaujolaise de Bully: Waitrose, £2.65.
Second in line: "A lively, zesty fruity wine with a silky palate reminiscent of black and red summer fruits . . . I could drink a lot of this" (JMQ), "light, subtle, soft easy-drinking" (NS), "bright and blithe" (RY), "good, clean wine" (JB).

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

1987 Robert Sarrau Beaujolais Nouveau: Europa Food & Wine, £2.99; Haynes, Hanson & Clark, 36 Kensington Church Street, London W8, £3.25; Alex Findlater, 77 Abbey Road, London NW8, £2.99; Gerard Harris, £3.80
"Scented, pale crimson wine" whose "delicate, cherry bonbons style" (JMQ), went down well with everyone: "I like it, good already . . . would like a few bottles for the New Year" (DH), "good flavour, well-made, round" (JB) and (NS): "cherry fruit aroma and flavour, clean, fruity and fresh".

1987 Joseph Drouhin Beaujolais Nouveau: Majestic Wine Warehouses, £3.95; Gerard Harris, 2 Green End Street, Aston Clinton, Bucks, £4.15; Harrods, £4.15
A traditional Drouhin Nouveau that, unlike other '87 Nouveaux, will keep beyond Christmas: "Fresh, fruity rhubarb and banana-like style with a good, deep fruity finish" (JMQ), "depth, flavour and character . . . good solid Beaujolais" (DH), "ripe, ample flavour" (NS), and "flavour lingers well" (RY).

1987 Piat Beaujolais Nouveau: Peter Dominic, £2.99; Bottoms Up, £2.99
Piat's "ripe, fresh plummy Gamay fruit" (JMQ) was admired by DH: "shrieks Gamay . . . good flavour and stylish finish" and JB: "good Gamay *primeur* flavour, well-structured, good finish".

1987 Tesco Beaujolais Nouveau, Arthur Barolet et Fils: Tesco, £2.49.
Tesco's lighter style was enjoyed by JMQ: "delicious, light raspberry-cherry taste, very drinkable" (JMQ) and NS: "supple raspberry fruit pastilles flavour".

RECOMMENDED

1987 François Paquet Beaujolais-Villages Primeur: Bentalls, Wood Street, Kingston-upon-Thames, Surrey, £2.95; Byron Vintners, 156 Gregory Boulevard, Nottingham, £2.99; Brighton Station Wine Cellars, Trafalgar Street, Brighton, £2.99.
Monsieur Paquet's "rose-scented and raspberry-palated" wine (JMQ) was also approved by RY: "showy, plentiful fruit flavour".

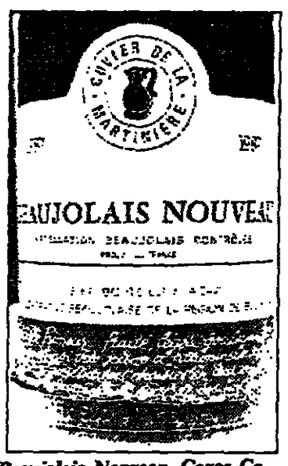
1987 Geisweiler Beaujolais Nouveau: Peter Dominic, £1.99; Bottoms Up, £1.99
This year's bargain buy: "zesty, flavoury style, good, plummy, full of fruit" (JMQ), "flowery with fragrance and style" (DH).

1987 Georges Duboeuf Beaujolais-Villages Nouveau: Davisons, £3.25; Le Nez Rouge, £3.28.
Flowery label and flowery bouquet: "Violet scent and light violet-like palate" (JMQ) and "attractive, clean, soft, flowery" (NS).

1987 Pasquier-Desvignes Beaujolais Nouveau: Augustus Barnett, £2.79
This vivacious Nouveau had a "perfumed nose, zesty, light, blackberry-like palate" (JMQ), and made "lightish decent drinking" (DH).

ACCEPTABLE

1987 Asda Beaujolais Nouveau: Asda, £2.59
This supermarket Nouveau was blessed with a "crimson purple colour and light, appley fruit" (JMQ), but "harvested in or after the rain – a good wine, but watered down" (JB).



Beaujolais Nouveau, Caves Coopérative Beaujolaise de Bully: "A lively, zesty fruity wine"

1987 St Michael Beaujolais Nouveau, Cellier des Samsons: Marks & Spencer, £3.50.
Another flowered bottle, but with a less appealing taste: "Closed in nose and some fruit on the palate" (JMQ), "good fruit pastilles flavour" (NS).

1987 Reine Pédauque Beaujolais Nouveau: Safeway, £2.59: The Wine Growers Association, 430 High Road, Willesden, London NW10, £2.98
This wine had a "zesty, light rhubarb and apple crumble taste" for JMQ, and was particularly enjoyed by NS: "most attractive, fresh, raspberry fruitiose".

1987 Beaujolais-Villages Nouveau, Maison du Vigneron: Oddbins, £2.49; Gouh Bros, £2.49.
"Light, fruity, cherry-ke style, a touch watery" (JMQ)"straight-forward, drinkable" (H).

1987 Beaujolais Nouveau, Jean-Paul Selles: Majestic£2.49
"Zesty, lemony, watty, fruity palate" (JMQ), "soft,ght, quaffable" (NS).

1987 Sainsbury's Beaujolais Nouveau, J Burdin: Sainsbury's, £2.69.
DH loved this one, bt the rest of us were not so keen:"Light, lively, flowery-plummy tastbut acidic backlash" (JMQ).

JUST ACCEPTABLE

1987 Jacques Dépeaux Beaujolais NouveauWinecellars, 153-155 Wandsworth High Street, London SW18, £2.6sThe Market, £2.89; Ostlers, 63A Grkenwell Road, London EC1, 9.29
"Supple but rather sort dull flavour" (NS), "goodut not great" (JB), "fragile, diiute"RY), "medium, purple colur, dull" (JMQ).

1987 Beaujolais Nouveau, F. Lavergne: Thresher: £2.69.
"Nothing special, dufruity style" (JMQ), "robust, lackig finesse" (DH),"light wine, bitte tannins"(JB).

1987 Dufouleur Père& Fils Beaujolais Primeur:Finegar Joe's, 46 Pimlico Road, Lodon SW1, £2.89; Superwines, 2.89
"Soft, fruity style, ornary, watery palate" (JMQ), "not tuch real character but good dinking" (DH).

1987 Chanut Frères Beaujolais Nouveau: Gerard Harris, £3.70; Newman & Gilbey, £.99
NS liked this, but we in a minority: "ordinary, light fruitpalate, appealing scent of rses, but a touch sweaty" (JMQ, "too high in acidity, otherwise nt bad" (JB).

1987 Mommessin Prhet de Beaujolais Nouveau:The Old Maltings Wine ShopLong Melford, Suffolk, £2.97; Newman & Gilbey, 186 Trinity Road, Lodon SW17, £3.40.
A new skittle-shapebottle for Mommessin, but it nt bowl us over like last year's:dull, salty-fruity taste" (JMQ), scant nose, too much mineral sa" (RY).

1987 Pierre FérraudBeaujolais Nouveau: Morris & Verdin, 28 Churton Street, Lonon SW1, £3.30; Superwines, 39 Kings Road, London SW3.3.09.
"OK, nothing specia appley scent, slightly dank, dull fru" (JMQ).

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1987 Coron Père & Ils Beaujolais Nouveau: Barwell & Jones East Anglia, £2.99; 1987 E Loron Beaujolais NouveauUnwins, £2.89; 1987 Beaujolis Nouveau, J. Thibaud: Victoria Wine, £2.79

THE TIMES COOK

With help from her greengrocer, Frances Bissell presents ideas for dishes using everything from pomegranates to persimmons

Passion for foreign fruit

A visit to my local greengrocer at this time of year is like a geography lesson: kumquats from Israel, quinces from Cyprus, pomegranates and cherimoyas from Spain, persimmons from Italy. Sometimes it is also a lesson in politics and diplomacy. The greengrocer in question has been selling the most luscious dates I have ever eaten and, depending on who asks, they are either from Egypt or from California.

Some of the fruit is with us for such a short season that one is just glad to have the chance to eat them by themselves before they disappear until next November. I put the real Italian persimmons in that group. They are at their best when swollen and translucently ripe. But, of course, in that condition they are extremely fragile and perishable, and we do not often see them at their best.

Last year there was something of a glut and after eating them for several days, simply scooping out the centre with a teaspoon, I made one batch into a marvellous jam with cranberries and some more into a chilled persimmon cream for afters. In the very unlikely event that there is a glut of cheap cherimoyas (custard apples), you could adapt the recipe below, removing their black seeds first. Sharon fruit or kaki from Israel are similar to persimmons, less fragile and can be used instead of persimmons.

Cooking fruit with meat is something against which I recognize I may need to curb my enthusiasm. While duck with oranges or kumquats has never appealed to me, pomegranates have often featured in my meat cookery. I squeeze the juice from them as from a lemon, and use it first as a marinade and then to finish off the sauce. Lamb, both roasted and fried as noisettes, pheasant, chicken breasts, venison and, last year, turkey fillets all benefited from this treatment. The juice has just the right amount of acidity without adding that citrussy note which so often interferes with the wine if orange or lemon is used.

And now I am delighted to find reference to this culinary use of pomegranates in Anna del Conte's *Gastronomy of Italy* (Bantam Press £19.95), a marvellously encyclopaedic work for the Italophile. It will have you scurrying from one reference to another. She describes turkey with pomegranates as a speciality of Venice in October and November, the pomegranate season.

The turkey is larded with *pancetta* or bacon and roasted in the oven. Half way through cooking, the bird is basted with the juice and crushed seeds of the pomegranates. Sauce is made by cooking the finely chopped giblets in olive oil and adding more pomegranate juice. If I was cooking a Thanksgiving turkey next Thursday, that is how I would do it.

Poultry does go particularly well with fruit, and I have included my recipe for guinea fowl cooked in cider with quinces. You can use either the small, fragrant yellow *Japonica quince* or the large knobbly pear-shaped ones. The recipe also works very well with chicken. And if such quinces are not available, a flavoursome apple such as a russet could be substituted or a good pear.

Diana Leadbetter



At this time of year, I like to prepare fruit in syrup to serve at Christmas time or give as presents. Kumquats are ideal for this. Wash them, prick each one two or three times, and pack them into a glass preserving jar. Half fill it with hot sugar syrup, top up with vodka or eau de vie, allow the mixture to cool, then seal and open in a month's time.

While I was browsing round the greengrocer's, the boss passed on to me this delicious recipe for field mushrooms. He promised to give me his grandmother's onion and bacon pudding recipe too, one of these days.

Poached eggs in field mushrooms
Serves 4

- 4 large hollow field mushrooms
- 1oz/25g melted butter
- 4 eggs
- 2 to 3 tablespoons grated cheese
- salt, pepper, paprika

Brush or peel the mushrooms as necessary. Remove the stalks and chop finely after trimming off the ends. Brush the mushrooms all over with melted butter. As they are absorbent, you may need more than the amount given. It depends on what size mushrooms you find.

Place the chopped trimmings in the centre of the cap together with any remaining butter, and grill or bake the mushrooms until tender. Meanwhile, poach the eggs, and drain them dry on kitchen paper. Place a poached egg on each cooked mushroom, sprinkle with grated cheese, salt, pepper and paprika to taste, and finish off under the grill until the cheese melts.

Variations on this theme can be created by placing a slice of ham in the mushrooms, before the egg, or a spoonful of pesto, a smear of mustard, a splash of cream or what you will. If you can get quail eggs, you might like to try miniature versions of this dish, using cap or button mushrooms.

Guinea fowl in cider
(serves 4)

- 3lb/1.35kg fresh guinea fowl
- 3 cloves garlic, optional
- salt, pepper, paprika
- ½ pint/300ml strong dry cider
- 2 small quinces or one large one, cut in pieces

Trim the guinea fowl of excess fat. Cut off the tips of the wing pinions and loose skin and do whatever else needs to be done to make your guinea fowl presentable for the table. Peel and slice the garlic, if you are using it, and cut each slice into thin slivers. Insert them under the skin at intervals. Sprinkle with salt sparingly, more liberally with pepper and paprika.

Put the cider in a small saucepan and reduce by half, getting rid of the alcohol and concentrating the flavour. Heat a non-stick frying pan and in it seal the bird all over. Put the fruit inside the guinea fowl, put it in a lidded casserole, and pour the cider over it. Cover and cook for about an hour in a pre-heated oven, 200ºC/400ºF/gas mark 6. When cooked, remove the guinea fowl from the casserole, and keep it warm on a carving plate. Reduce the cooking juices until syrupy, and serve these separately in a heated sauceboat.

If you like them, you could cook some carrot sticks along with the guinea fowl for the last half hour, and serve them as one of the vegetables.

Chilled persimmon creams
Serves 4

- 4 ripe persimmons with sound, unblemished skins
- 1 small lemon
- 2 tablespoons icing sugar
- ¼ pint/150ml doble cream

Take a thin sce off the top of each persimon to make the lid. With a pinted spoon, carefully scoopout the pulp on to a plate. Pt half of it in a blender togethewith the juice and grated zestof the lemon and the icing sugar. Blend until smooth. Whisk the cream until firm, and fold in the persimmonpuree. Roughly chop the re of the fruit, and stir this into the cream. Divide the mixure among the fruit skins, replace the lids, and chill until equired. This preparation ca, of course, also be served i wine glasses if the persimmo skins are not good enough toring to table.

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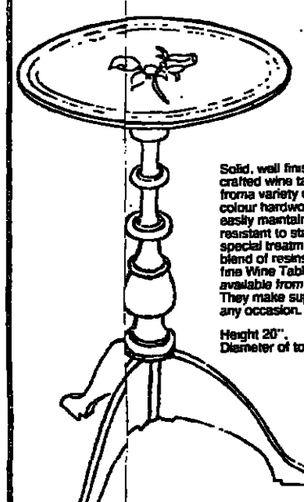
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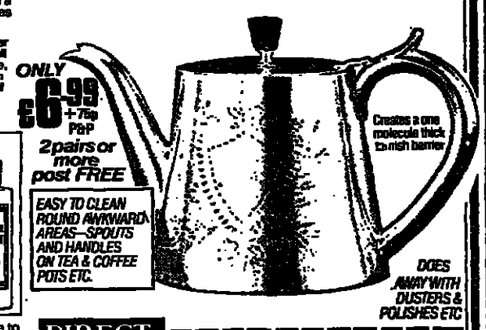
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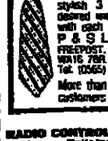
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Star-spangled manor

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Hall of fame: a portrait of George Washington hangs above the fireplace in the dining room

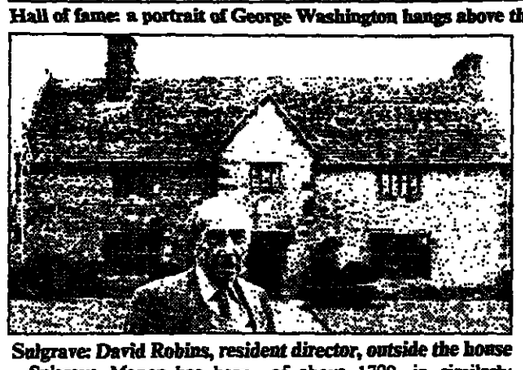
What is the connection between the American flag and the arms of a 16th-century Mayor of Northampton? Heraldic arms, that is, and a clue lies in the name of the Mayor, a prosperous wool merchant called Lawrence Washington.

He was in fact a direct ancestor of George Washington, who himself continued to use the family arms, if only on his bookplate. They were three red stars over two red stripes on a white background — and there, quite probably, was the inspiration for the star-spangled banner itself. So the flag of the new nation may have had its origin in the social pretensions of a North countryman who moved down to Northamptonshire, married money, and did well.

If it had not been for the fame of his distant descendant, Lawrence Washington would have been forgotten, and the house he built in the village of Sulgrave, near the Oxfordshire border, would probably have disappeared by now. It had passed out of the family's hands within a century, had a wing built on and rather more demolished, and by the 19th century it was looking more like the ancestral home of the Grundies of *The Archers* than the Washingtons.

Then came 1914, the centenary of the Treaty of Ghent, and therefore the completion of a century of peace between England and the United States. The plans for celebrating this milestone included raising enough money to buy and restore the Sulgrave house.

It took a while, what with the First World War going on, but money came in from both sides of the Atlantic, King George V chipped in, and soon Sir Reginald Blomfield was at work on the restoration. The house was finally opened to the public in 1921, with Washington's distant successor as Mayor of Northampton among the dignitaries present.



Sulgrave: David Robins, resident director, outside the house

Sulgrave Manor has been open ever since, its financial stability assured by an organization called the National Society of the Colonial Dames of America, whose members raised enough dollars to endow the manor in perpetuity. So this house is, at the very least, a remarkable monument to Anglo-American co-operation.

Fortunately it is much more than that. Forgetting the Washington connections for a minute, what we have is a handsome Elizabethan house, built of the good-looking local stone and with a stone roof, all mellowed by the centuries. A bit of an illusion this, as nearly half of the body of the building is actually the work of Blomfield: but you can hardly, as they say, see the join. Then at right angles there is a wing of about 1700, in similarly robust and unpretentious style.

It all makes a most satisfying ensemble, surrounded by Blomfield's convincing formal gardens, with orchards and fields beyond. Over the porch are the arms of Elizabeth I, and her lion and Welsh dragon are repeated in plaster on the inside of the porch. There is a local legend that the young queen was hidden in the manor, under the rafters.

The interior of the house is filled with materials of exceptionally good quality and wide range, all very well presented. Most of these came from the Victoria and Albert and the British Museum, and they are arranged to give an idea of the house as it was in the two key periods of its life.

Thus the body of the building is furnished in forthright Elizabethan style, a great hall with a great chamber above. In a room off the great chamber, all Washington's seven daughters would have slept: he had four sons as well, so they would have needed all the space they then had.

The 1700 wing includes a lovely little oak-lined parlour and a kitchen of the period, imported fully-equipped from a manor house in Hampshire. Upstairs are two handsomely furnished but uncluttered bedrooms, in one of which stands a Hepplewhite chair of George Washington's own.

There is a fine collection of Washington memorabilia here, as you would expect, and it is this that brings in the steady stream of American visitors. But even if it had no such connections, Sulgrave Manor would still be a delightful house to visit, and it is set in a fine little stone-built village.

The church is well worth a look, not only for its Washington pew and memorials. Meals may be had at the Thatched House Hotel, and drinks and sandwiches at the friendly, unspoilt Star Inn.

Sulgrave Manor, near Banbury, but in Northants, is open until Dec 31 (except Christmas Day) and again from Feb 1, daily (except Weds) 10.30am-1pm, 2-4pm. Admission £1, child 50p.

Telling tales

OUTINGS

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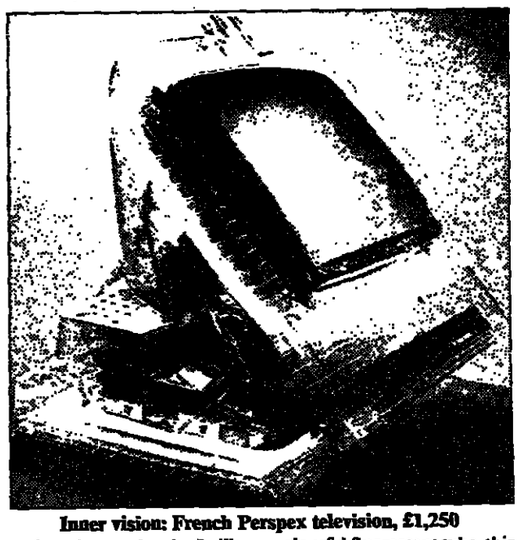
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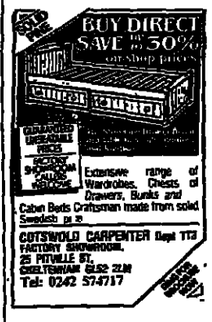


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THE ARTS

Mexican fantasies

Like the community charge, great "revolutionary" art may often sound as though it is a radically new collective experience, only to turn out to be a matter of distinctly individual contribution. *Arena* (BBC2) kicked off a new season in fine form with a study of the Mexican painter Diego Rivera. Rivera was a great revolutionary artist – or rather a great artist and a revolutionary.

He was not a great revolutionary in art or politics. His individual consciousness cer-

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tainly lacked coherence but his revolutionary consciousness was also a mass of confusion. Politically he jumped from position to position almost as often as he changed sexual partners. (He even had to expel himself from the Communist party at one point.) Sometimes he got ahead of himself, as in his detailed accounts of fighting with Zapata while in fact he was still painting in Paris. His fantasies extended to fathering Rommel and meeting Lenin. Meet Trotsky, though, he did – as some splendid archive film showed us.

Some claim that politics made Rivera a propagandist, not an artist, but the programme made clear that he could produce great work painting for Ford (while the workers were being machine-gunned) or the revolution. The eccentric individuality of this larger than life figure was fully brought out – we were even told he had a small penis. But the Mexican commentators who included Carlos Fuentes and an ex-model with an English as verbally distinct as splintered castanets showed *how this individual genius* both took from and helped form shared cultural languages. They criticized from within, showing a deep understanding of and a love for the complexities and confusions of a painter's "partnership" with his people.

Andrew Hislop

Paris greets the world

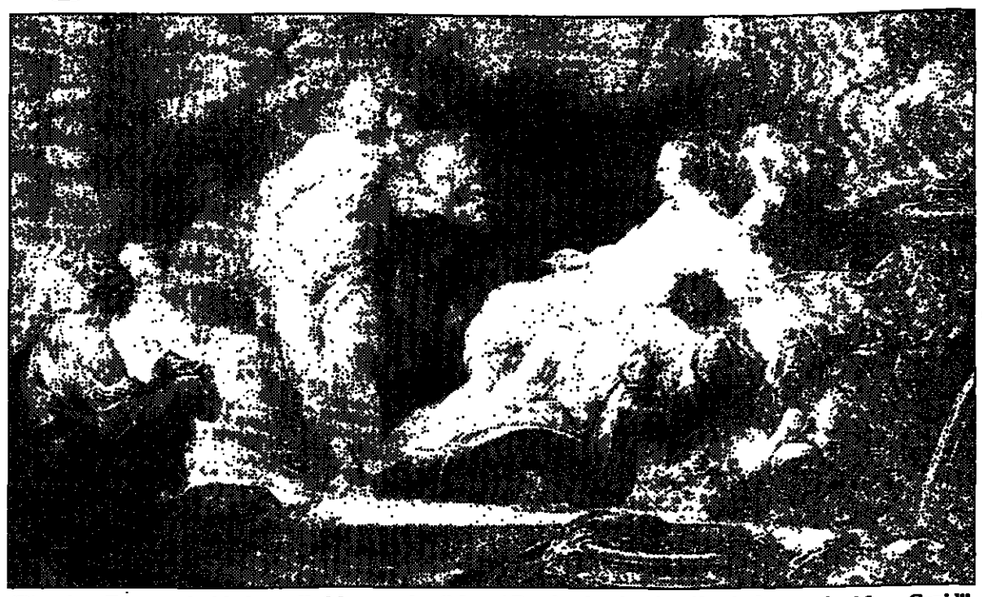
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Flirtatious Fragonard with the stuff of dreams: detail from "Psyche showing the gifts she has received from Cupid"

In Paris at the moment it is the season of Spain, of Portugal, of Belgium, of Switzerland, of America – indeed, of practically anywhere you can imagine other than France. Apart, that is, from the one great exception, the giant Fragonard survey-show at the Grand Palais until January 4 (after which it goes to the Metropolitan, New York).

The Fragonard show is, say the organizers, the first major retrospective anywhere, at any time since the artist's death in 1806. It is not too difficult to guess why the tribute has been thus delayed. The feeling seems to have persisted throughout the last two centuries that Fragonard is all very fine but not, well, really substantial, and certainly not quite respectable. He was taught to draw by Boucher, but already when he got back from his early period in Rome, Natoire, then director of the Académie, was deploring the way he had betrayed his first promise by carelessness and frivolity.

Not that he reformed his ways. He loved the lightness and insubstantiality that characterized the rococo, and presumably enjoyed his flirtations with salacity, as well as finding ready patrons for his cheery erotica.

What he excelled in providing was the matter of dreams, erotic sometimes but always escapist. The image of him most common in Britain, derived from his celebrated "The Swing" in the Wallace Collection, is just about right: pretty young women in idyllic surroundings behave in a lightly suggestive manner, as though life were one long *fête champêtre*.

Does this mean that Fragonard as a painter is virtually beneath contempt? One would have to be very puritanical indeed to think so. The Fragonard who seizes the imagination at the Grand Palais is the man we thought we knew: his endless resource in playing variations on a few basic themes, his flickering, feathery brushwork, his ebullient fantasy are all quite captivating, and he certainly emerges as a far more attractive figure than his master Boucher.

For the heavyweights one need do no more than cross the road to the Petit Palais for *De Greco à Picasso*, the first section of the Ville de Paris's four-part tribute to Spain, **Cinq Siècles d'Art Espagnol**, which, like the second section, *Le Siècle de Picasso* at the Musée d'Art Moderne de la Ville de Paris, is on until January 3. The earlier show puts up an astonishing display of masterworks from Spanish public collections, with El Greco, Zurbaran, Velasquez and Goya (not to mention the pre-1900 Picasso) lavishly represented, often by unfamiliar works.

The Spanish art of this era may be many things, but one cannot help noting, seeing it with eyes newly accustomed to Fragonard, that it is almost never what you might call cheerful, let alone positively lighthearted. The dwarfs, the deformed, the agonizingly martyred, the *mutilés de guerre* are never quite exorcized until we get to Fortuny and Sorolla, and even then not for long. Certainly the century of Picasso seems to offer little cause for rejoicing.

It would be difficult to produce any such ready overview of the 19th-century Portuguese art to be seen in the Petit Palais until January 3 under the title **Soleil et Ombres** if, on entering, you turn left instead of right. The predominant effect is one of shadowing in a more metaphorical sense.

From the beginning of the century, with its shadow Davids and Ingres, through the middle passages with their alarming echoes of everyone from Winterhalter to Wiertz, to the grand finale with the Portuguese Puvis de Chavannes (Antonio Carneiro) vying for our attention with the Portuguese Bastien-Lepage (José Julio de Sousa Pinto) and a number of quite presentable Impressionists, there is always a more than slight sense of *déjà-vu*. That said, the show is actually quite bizarre and enjoyable.

Our impression of Belgian art at the beginning of the 19th century, supposing we have one, is likely to be rather similar: it must, must it not, be very derivative? A big show at Ixelles two years ago, *Autour du Néo-Classicisme Belge*, did a lot to dispel that notion. This year a smaller offshoot of that show, at the Pavillon des Arts until January 10, significantly retitled **Autour de David**, does a lot to reinstate it. The point, as you may recall, is that David was exiled to Belgium in his latter days, and somehow the re-angling of the show in Paris manages to emphasize David's influence in such a way that the whole country seems to be under the thumb of the French.

This is not really fair. For one thing, if we forget David for a moment there are much more important connections, in works like François Joseph Navez's "La Famille Seny", with the German Biedermeier painters, while other artists, such as Philippe van Bree, show a personal brand of whimsy in works like "L'Atelier des femmes peintres" which has little or nothing to do with contemporary French models.

John Russell Taylor

Menace and mystery

CONCERTS

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It is not the 90-minute span or the massive forces of Mahler's Third Symphony that unsettle conductors, so much as its anti-heroic content and strange structure.

The symphonic "struggle" is fought and won in the vast first movement, and whether one believes it is about "summer marching in" or (as some maintain) about workers' rallies in 1890s Vienna, it is an oddly distanced, *ironic sort of* battle anyway. Then the music languishes passively in awe of nature for five more movements. They have plenty of passing beauties, of course, but still represent a formidable challenge to any interpretation's staying power and ingenuity.

Michael Tilson Thomas captured the thrusting momentum of that first movement vividly. One expected as much: energy is his trademark (he even conducts adagios like a man warming up to bowl offbreaks).

With the London Symphony Orchestra straining hard for its new principal conductor, there was a hard-edged clarity about the Ives-like collages of marching-bands, and a glacial menace to some of the heavy brass solos. Even here, though, more contrasting finesse in the refining and shaping of those wispy, trilling passages would have made sense. When it came to the contemplative middle movements, Tilson Thomas seemed too prosaic in phrasing and unambitious in emotional exploration. There was little sense of mystery, and indeed hardly a true pianissimo all evening, though in the final adagio he did coax some gorgeous tone from the strings.

Unusually in a Tilson Thomas performance, some of the orchestral ensemble was poor (there were especially ragged entries in the slower movements); and the brass players, perhaps inevitably in this strenuous work, had their moments of agony as well as ecstasy. On the other hand, the offstage flugelhorn was sweetly blown, the singing of the London Symphony Chorus ladies and the South-end Boys' Choir was splendidly cheery, and the Dutch contralto Jard Van Nes projected the impenetrable mysteries of Nietzsche's midnight musing with suitable intensity.

Richard Morrison

David Wehr
Elizabeth Hall

To judge by Thursday night's meagre audience, neither the Santander International Pianoforte Competition nor its most recent winner, David Wehr, has captured the public imagination yet.

But Wehr's prize will at least make this 30-year-old American known to Europe. And Paris, Madrid and Vienna, where he has debuts soon, will, I hope, warm to this unassuming, lyrical and *intelligent musician. The two* aspects of his playing which surface after a first hearing are the sensitized palette of his fingertips, and the sense of velocity, of grasping and activating the inner energy of a work according to its idiom.

They are qualities which *mark him out as a Chopin player; though not until his* encores was this confirmed. For Liszt, they provided him with useful equipment with which to convey both the introverted responses and the extrovert projection of the *Vallée d'Obermann*. A clear head for structure, which was noticeable in Barber's Sonata Op 26, ensured the work's proportion.

For one of Haydn's C Major Sonatas Wehr's sensitivity of touch enabled him not only to phrase as it were *through* the changing timbres of the opening andante, but to conjure something of the tone of a fortepiano while maintaining the proper performing scale for his Steinway grand.

Schumann's *Waldscenen* brought out the song in him; and the Barber Sonata showed his firm, incisive fingerwork and concentration of focus, avoiding the merely percussive. If anything was lacking, it was that final kindling of spontaneity – the sense of sparkle which would have lifted his Liszt Hungarian Rhapsody from power to panache.

Hilary Finch

ECO/Tate
Festival Hall

As many variants of playing Beethoven have recently been tried as there are "orchestras of enlightenment" or "Beethoven *experiences*". So far they have fallen short of turning instruments upside down, as Franz Clement was reported to do with his violin between movements of Beethoven's Concerto.

Frank Peter Zimmermann had no call for such embellishment to help along his performance of it with the English Chamber Orchestra, because at the ripe age of 22 he is a gifted artist fully in command of the necessary technique, as well as having an instinct for the music's spirit. His sweetness of tone and long-drawn line were beguiling features of the central Larghetto movement, and in the joyful finale he added a full cadenza (his own, presumably), much to the interest of the orchestral players around him.

All this followed a more questionable opening movement on account of the unusually moderate, even ponderous, tempo set by Jeffrey Tate's conducting at the outset. It must have been with the soloist's agreement, because it allowed him to take a ruminative view of the musical subject-matter as well as to articulate every phrase very clearly, but the effect was emotionally constrained.

Mr Tate can be a puzzling conductor. His account of the *Prometheus* Overture to start the concert was over almost before it began to register, lacking vitality of spirit or any sense of the theatrical context for which Beethoven composed it. Then for the second part of the programme, the Eighth Symphony veered from another restrained beginning to a finale that seemed to be hewn out in chunks, although the two middle movements embraced a fair degree of expressive sentiment.

Noël Goodwin

Flat talk

THEATRE

People Show No. 92
Boulevard Theatre

After 21 years in the entertainment business, the People Show's playing style of mad storyline punctuated by jazz has become a routine.

This is no worry when the players up with the cornet, the sax and the trombone and blow, but it does become troublesome when four or five of the talking scenes are allowed to fall flat, and nothing, I suspect, will be done to galvanize them because the accidental and the haphazard are held to be true elements of the style.

This is an elaborated version of the show that was playing at The Bush, where it was reviewed by Irving Wardle, and abandoned in mid-run when the theatre caught fire. Its premise, rich in promise, brings us a gormless English soldier who misses the 3.22 for Scunthorpe, climbs instead aboard the Chattanooga Choo Choo, and finds himself in a timeless world of international agents, assassins and long-legged beauties, where the poker is played for the highest stakes and everyone stops for a song.

The story does take up some of the opportunities offered by this inspired notion, and you do not have to be a film buff to catch sight of the plotline wandering into *The Sting*, *The Lady Vanishes* and *Strangers On A Train*. Unfortunately, it does not stay with them long, misses a dozen other films ripe for parody and is not bothered to fold the parodies into the rest of the action. Not before time, the instruments make their appearance and we can be caught up into "East Saint Louis Blues".

The loose structure allows for improvisatory decoration comparable to the possibilities in jazz itself. To say that the show plays tricks with reality would be to pitch its aspirations absurdly high, but it certainly allows Charlie Dore, one verse into a song, to murmur to the guitarist (Alan Hill): "Isn't that a little avant garde?" and ad lib while he retunes. Great playing from Liam de Staic and George Kahn, and a joyfully knowing performance by Jeff "Bomb Culture" Nuttall as a mad Irish gambling homicidal traveller in pharmaceuticals. Pity about the script.

Jeremy Kingston

The hardware giant now owns the CBS software too. **Norman Lebrecht** reports

Sony calls the tune





Murray Perahia (left) and Michael Jackson: faithful stars?

Sony's acquisition of CBS Records could prove to be one of the boldest assaults on western civilization since Pearl Harbour. As well as winning Japan its first real beach-head on the world's record map, this week's $2 billion deal gives the hardware innovators unprecedented and unrestricted access to a century of recorded music.

Until now, advances in the Japanese hi-fi industry have been effectively hamstrung by absolute European and American control of the music that would be played on any new machines. While Japanese manufacturers have been straining to flood the world with their Digital Audio Tape (DAT), western record producers were refusing to license their material to any technology that might impede the progress of compact discs.

Led by CBS, the record industry has been lobbying vigorously in Washington and Brussels to block the importation of DAT recorders and force the Japanese to insert a CBS spoiler device into DAT machines that would prevent unlicensed copying of compact discs. Now, at a stroke, Sony has eliminated the main opponent to its DAT designs and purchased the means to produce music on whatever technology it chooses. It gains automatic access to the latest releases of Michael Jackson, Murray Perahia, Barbra Streisand, Daniel Barenboim and Bruce Springsteen, and to an archive of historic material that goes back to the turn of the century.

It controls records by every major conductor of the New York Philharmonic from Willem Mengelberg through to Leonard Bernstein and Pierre Boulez. In Europe, it cashes in on CBS's Eighties breakthrough in securing temporary contracts with two of the sleekest orchestras, the Berlin and the Vienna Philharmonic, with Barenboim, Maazel and Abbado among the conductors.

On the popular side, it has the great jazz performers from Bessie Smith and Duke Ellington to Miles Davis and Wynton Marsalis. It has the early recordings of Frank Sinatra and Billie Holiday, the ageless hits of Bob Dylan and Simon and Garfunkel, and last week's best-selling album in Britain, by George Michael.

There are unlikely to be widespread defections among the contracted artists. Sony has a high reputation among them for its generosity with gadgets and the transparent devotion of its two chiefs to occidental culture. Its founder, Akio Morita, prides himself on personal friendships with such star conductors as Karajan and Bernstein. Norio Ohga, the Sony president who negotiated the CBS purchase, is a Berlin-trained former opera singer who adores the company of musicians.

Sony and CBS have had a 20-year record distribution agreement in Japan and a number of joint ventures, including a compact disc factory in Indiana, in which CBS recently sold its share at a knockdown price. A sudden production glut makes this move look like good business sense, and the hiatus in the CD boom – good news for the consumer, since it should lead to reduced prices – will doubtless encourage Sony to press ahead even faster with the next generation of software.

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Bringing home the bacon

Henry Krieger (right) of *Dreamgirls* fame is opening his new musical, *Fat Pig*, in Leicester next week. Interview by Sheridan Morley



It is presumably some reflection on the current and, Sondheim apart, still moribund state of the native Broadway musical that three of its most distinguished practitioners, the composer Henry Krieger (of *Dreamgirls* and *Tap Dance Kid*), the librettist Mark Bramble (of *42nd Street* and *Barnum*), and the choreographer Danny Daniels should all currently be in rehearsal not in Boston or Philadelphia, but at the Leicester Haymarket. They have assembled for a new big-band show destined, if all goes well, to reach the brighter lights of London and New York after the world premiere on Tuesday.

Fat Pig is based on Colin MacNaughton's bestseller about farmyard life and dangers, though Krieger is quick to establish that what we have here is not another *Animal Farm* with songs.

"It's not about revolution, but temptation and survival and love. Essentially I guess it's the story of a pig going on a diet to avoid the bacon-slicer, but it's also about a country-and-western sheep and no, it is not just another kids' Christmas show, though we do have a lot of circus tricks in there. We've a cast of animals on trapezes, rope ladders and pogo sticks. I've had to be on diets all my life, and I've also spent a lot of that life working for animal rights in America, so when I found the two themes coming together in Colin's book it seemed kind of natural for me to write the words and music for it."

Surprisingly, considering the Broadway long-run triumphs of both *Dreamgirls* and the infinitely better *Tap Dance Kid* a few years ago, this will be the first Krieger score to be heard in this country and also his first as both composer and lyricist. An amiable, balding 42-year-old bachelor who looks as though he belongs in the background of a Woody Allen movie, Krieger is the only son of a Westchester advertising executive and grew up with a lot of Gilbert and Sullivan in college.

"I really wanted to be a presidential adviser, but then they shot Kennedy and most of the dreams disappeared and the whole business got tacky, so I decided to try to make a living in the theatre instead. I started out as a reservations manager on American Airlines because that paid the bills and got me around the world, and then I began to write off-Broadway shows which led to a partnership with the lyricist Tom Eyen."

Together they went to Joe Papp with the idea for a musical about the breaking up of a pop group much like the Supremes. "Michael Bennett took us into his workshop and we spent a year building *Dreamgirls*, which was the show that got me out of my rent-controlled apartment and into some place with a garden for the cats."

Dreamgirls spent a couple of years on Broadway and a couple more touring America; it then came to Europe and was supposed to end up in London last summer. "It's a musical that we always thought would be very hard to cast over here, but we had an American company in Paris ready to come over for a season when the government brought in a 29 per cent witholding tax, which was really aimed at rock stars and their expenses, but it hit us so hard that we couldn't afford to support a production in this country.

"After *Fat Pig* I'm going home to work on something totally different, a Japanese samurai musical which might be kind of interesting, though the trouble with New York now is that the lawyers and the real-estate agents have made any kind of Broadway musical experiment almost impossible.

"A producer like David Merrick used to just lock Bacharach and Hal David in hotel rooms until they delivered scores; nowadays it's all million-dollar budgets and rebuilding theatres to allow for roller skates. In the late sixties they tore down the golden city: now when you start trying to rebuild it, you find that all the other composers have gone to a Californian place in the sun to make a decent living out of television."

JAPAN

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REVIEW

A sob story

BOOKS

August in July, by Carlo Gébler (Penguin, £3.50).

August Slemic, a Polish exile in London, has a complex. A life of childhood traumas, a failed marriage and an unloving son add up to a weary catalogue with no distinguishing features. He writes his life history, hoping to draw the poison of unfulfilment with the pen.

Risky, perhaps, to write about boredom and loneliness, but Gébler choreographs his themes cleverly within a neat narrative device and a moving story. The book is chilling enough psychologically to touch the fear of mediocrity in us all.

Joining the Grown-ups, by Christine Parker (Penguin, £3.95).

At a brash 18, Josie leaves her wholesome father and stepmother in Canada to rejoin her mother, now a successful literary agent shacked up with another woman in London.

Joining the Grown-ups is more a case of joining a group session of problem adults. The literary world emerges as a hothouse of neurosis, but Christine Park is a born storyteller and her novel is compulsively readable.

Soldiers in Hiding, by Richard Wiley (Picador, £3.50).

Teddy Maki, a popular and vulgar television entertainer, hosts a show that spotlights musical farters and grotesque contortionists. The reasons become obvious for this determination to reduce Japanese culture to the lowest possible common denominator that it might share with America.

Maki and his friend Jimmy Yamamoto, both Japanese-Americans, are visiting Tokyo with their band when Japan bombs Pearl Harbour. Forced to enlist in the Japanese army to fight against America, they face an inner battle of patriotism.

Sarah Edworthy

NEW PAPERBACKS

The Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week:

FICTION

A House of Gentlefolk, by Ivan Turgenev, translated by Constance Garnett (Grafton, £3.95) The tragic story of young lovers pipped at the post when they seemed to have won.

Close Quarters, by Larry Heinemann (Faber, £3.95) Harrowing story of how Vietnam changed a decent young man.

Morgan's Passing, by Anne Tyler (Arena, £3.95) Charming contemporary fairy tale about a ramshackle eccentric who makes the world fun and rich with new possibilities.

The Rose Rent, by Ellis Peters (Futura, £2.50) Thirteenth chronicle of Brother Cadfael, the convincing monk-sleuth in 11th-century Britain: Ellis Peters is not a Dark Age historian, but Edith Pargeter, first-division historical novelist and crime writer.

Trial By Battle, by David Piper (Paladin, £3.50) Terse, intense English outsider's story of war in the jungle in 1941.

NON-FICTION

Collected Poems, by Charles Tomlinson (Oxford, £6.95) Thirty years work by true lyric poet who seems to write best between two poles, England and America, country and town, home and abroad, nature and history.

Melbourne, by Philip Zeigler (Collins, £9.95) Biography demonstrating that Lord M. was not just Victoria's laid-back amateur, but a hard, cynical and ambitious professional.

Montgomery in Europe 1943-45, by Richard Lamb (Buchan & Enright, £6.95) Success or failure, as Monty fought not just Germans, but also rivals and Allies.

Return to Anglia, by Spike Mays (Futura, £3.50) Horkies and Welly Slinging remembered from golden East Anglian childhood.

With O'Leary in the Grave, by Kevin FitzGerald (Oxford, £3.95) Hilarious and poignant autobiography about growing up with a preposterous, charismatic father in England and Ireland.

Little CD wonder

ROCK RECORDS

Stevie Wonder: Characters (Motown ZD72001)
Rick Astley: Whenever You Need Somebody (RCA PD71529)
The Sisters Of Mercy: Floodland (Merciful Release 242248-2)



This week, for the first time, the albums that I wanted to review all arrived in CD format, and one wonders how much life is left in the unwieldy, easily-damaged vinyl record. Not only does a state of the electronic art production like Stevie Wonder's **Characters** sound much better on CD but, like so many albums, the CD version boasts approximately 12 minutes more playing time.

Thus, vinyl purchasers who saw Wonder's extravagant shows in London or Birmingham recently will be disappointed to discover that "Come Let Me Make Your Love Come Down", a marvellous, jaunty jazz-rock singalong which he previewed at that time, is available only as an extra on the CD. The other CD bonus is a seven-minute funk workout called "My Eyes Don't Cry" and, taken together, the inclusion or omission of these two tracks alters the specific gravity of the entire album.

Although Wonder is a timelessly original stylist, and a remarkably forceful live performer, his tendency to lapse into soporific mainstream balladry remains undiminished on "With Each Beat Of My Heart", "One Of A Kind" and "You Will Know", while a whimsical science-fiction love song, "Galaxy Paradise", offers little beyond its twee novelty value.

The good news is that the rest of the album is distinguished by material of an altogether earthier nature. The sprightly electro-funk of "In Your Corner", the interlocking pumped-up riff and rapid-fire accusatory lyric of "Skeletons" and a speedy, yelping duet with Michael Jackson on "Get It", amply confirm Wonder as still in command of a contemporary urban groove to be reckoned with.

He has created most of the backing tracks himself, using synthesizers, computers and the miracle of the Synclavier, but has recruited an army of backing singers partly, one suspects, for the company. On "Free", a song with a gorgeous African *frisson*, he uses an entire gospel choir to bolster an acoustic guitar, spinet and tambourine-led arrangement of inspired delicacy.

There are no extra tracks on the CD version of Rick Astley's 37-minute debut, Whenever You Need Somebody: indeed it is the purchasers of the CD who miss out on a *Smash Hits* glossy poster of Astley distributed free with the record.

Astley achieved the unlikely "overnight" transition from studio tea boy to top of the charts through the offices of the Stock Aitken Waterman production team. They have so far masterminded his "Never Gonna Give You Up" single, its Top Three follow-up (the title track), and just about everything else to do with the lad, except for the small matter of his prodigious voice.

The album has a hurried feel about it, with too many songs a little too close to the metre of the two hits. But the rounded, soulful quality of his singing never falters, and a faithful pastiche of Nat King Cole singing "When I Fall In Love" is such a resounding triumph that one can only conclude that they don't make teenage pin-ups in quite the shoddy way that they used to.

Nothing less than the high resolution of CD seems quite able to cope with the sepulchral wonder of the Sisters Of Mercy's **Floodland**, a collection that will return Andrew Eldritch to his rightful position as the crown prince of gothic rock.

It is an album teeming with ghostly musical references, from the start of "Flood I", where Eldritch sounds as if he is whispering from the mouth of an open tomb, to the intro of an extended "This Corrosion", where the 40-odd voices of the New York Choral Society, produced by Meat Loaf's former mentor, Jim Steinman, harmonize with all the ethereal splendour of a choir of dispossessed angels.

David Sinclair

Back in triumph

Giordano: Andrea Chenier. Marton/Carreras/Zancanaro. Hungarian State Orch/Patané. CBS M2K 42369 (2CDs)

CLASSICAL RECORDS

One of the sadnesses of the year has been the protracted illness which has kept Jose Carreras from the opera stage. But there is a chance to hear him in the title role of CBS's *Andrea Chenier*.

There are those who claim he should not be singing so heavy a part. Pish, tush. Corelli might have been more glamorous on his old EMI recording — time the company reissued this. And there are some dry spells, especially in the Act II love duet. But elsewhere Carreras sounds, as he looked on stage, the romantic poet and at his very best in the *improvviso*. Giordano's opera about poetry, love, and death from Madame la Guillotine is always at its best when Chenier himself is on stage.

He is admirably opposed by Giorgio Zancanaro as Carlo Gerard, his hesitating prosecutor. Zancanaro proves that Giordano requires a legato line from the baritone, not mere bluster. Too much of the latter is supplied by Eva Marton as Maddalena: commanding voice, but one which induces little sympathy on the part of the listener, at least in this role. Covent Garden will be hearing her Tosca next week.

Much of the supporting cast is provided by her fellow Hungarians whose French is variable. Giuseppe Patané conducts the Hungarian State Orchestra in rather bland manner for so fiery and extrovert an opera. Chailly on Decca shows far more flair. It is Carreras's set — and may he get well soon.

John Higgins

Discover the gypsy and his soul

Django Reinhardt Django (Affinity BOX 107, 8 discs)

JAZZ RECORDS

The weird thought occurs that, almost 35 years after Django Reinhardt's death, there may very well be more jazz listeners familiar with John Lewis's peerless threnody for the great Belgian gypsy guitarist, first recorded by the Modern Jazz Quartet in 1954 and subsequently reinterpreted on countless occasions, than there are those familiar with Reinhardt's own playing.

If that is indeed true, then Affinity's new boxed set, containing 144 pieces recorded across the span of Reinhardt's career, is a fine place for newcomers to start.

In 1928, aged 18, Reinhardt had already been spotted as a promising talent when a fire in his caravan rendered useless two fingers of his left hand. Astonishingly, the process of reconstructing his fretboard technique turned him into a bona fide virtuoso.

In 1934 he began his celebrated partnership with the violinist Stephane Grappelli in the Quintette du Hot Club de France, a group of such originality and charm that reproductions are still in demand today. There are many examples here of the perfection with which Grappelli and Reinhardt complemented each other.

As the quintet grew in popularity during the Thirties, so Reinhardt came to the notice of American jazzmen, whose unstinted admiration set the seal on his acceptance as the first world-class practitioner of jazz to appear outside the boundaries of the United States.

Coleman Hawkins, Rex Stewart, Benny Carter and Barney Bigard were among those he encountered on equal terms; so was the lyrical trumpeter Bill Coleman, with whom he fashioned a glorious duet on a slow blues. Nothing, though, quite matches the inner fire of the tracks he shared in 1937 with the violinist Eddie South. The zest and invention of "Eddie's Blues", "Somebody Loves Me" and the others place them in the very first rank of jazz recordings.



Guitar man: gypsy Reinhardt

Reinhardt simply had it all: fluent swing, melodic imagination, blinding speed, explosive power and an intuitive feeling for the blues. The duo and combo tracks show that he was also a great and inspiring accompanist who could vary the shading to suit a soloist's precise needs.

As a solo performer he was perhaps even more remarkable, and admirers of such contemporary guitarists as Joe Pass and Stanley Jordan ought to be floored by a first exposure to such unaccompanied items as "Parfum" and "Improvisation No 3". On "You Rascal, You", a guitar-bass duet, he demonstrates with joyful panache the octave technique that was to become the late Wes Montgomery's trademark 25 years later.

Curiosities dotted throughout the seven hours of Affinity's survey include a strange and evocative "Bolero de Django" by a 13-piece orchestra, and various classical adaptations; there are also many tracks by the wartime Quintette du Hot Club, in which Hubert Rostaing's clarinet replaced the violin of Grappelli, who spent the duration in Britain (Reinhardt's own belated attempt to flee the occupied countries ended in failure).

One or two proof-reading flaws blemish the otherwise thorough and colourful booklet accompanying the records, all housed in a box capacious enough to hold 18 discs, let alone eight — a small annoyance for anyone already suffering from overcrowded shelves.

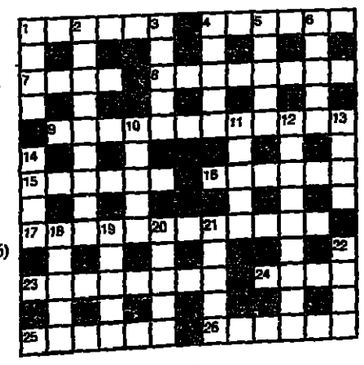
There is, too, something of a mystery surrounding the final pair of tracks, "Belleville" and "Nuages", which are billed as solo performances but clearly derive from band dates. Do not let that put you off, though.

Richard Williams

CROSSWORD

CONCISE CROSSWORD NO 1419

Prizes of the New Collins Thesaurus will be given for the first two correct solutions opened on Thursday, November 26. Entries should be addressed to The Times Concise Crossword Competition, 1 Pennington Street, London, E1 9XN. The winners and solution will be announced on November 28.



ACROSS
1 Plough (6)
4 Surgical seam (6)
7 Verifiable truth (4)
8 Monument inscription 8
9 Neat, clean (5-3-4)
15 Brute (6)
16 Pay no heed to (6)
17 Lucky Jim novelist (8,4)
23 Household servant (8)
24 Summit (4)
25 Pink/white shrub (6)
26 Hand drum (3-3)

DOWN
1 Piccolo-like instrument (4)
2 Wedding party (9)
3 Marine mollusc (5)
4 Descendant (5)
5 Paint solvent (6)
6 Animal welfare body (1,1,1,1,1)
10 Complete disorder (5)
11 Religious doctrine (5)
12 Outstanding (9)
13 Christmas (4)
14 Hereditary Channel Island (4)
18 Amusing incongruity (5)
19 Welcome (5)
20 Supple (5)
21 Pleasure cruiser (5)
22 Remove surface (4)

SOLUTION TO NO 1418
ACROSS: 1 Pundit 4 Alaska 7 Jute 8 Montague 9 Moselle 11 Scout 12 Side-splitting 15 Minor 16 Vantage 20 Casanova 21 Risk 22 Anyway 23 Ensign
DOWN: 1 Pyjamas 2 Notes 3 Tamil 4 Aunt 5 Signori 6 Avert 10 Loser 11 Satin 13 Dynasty 14 Gherkin 15 Mecca 17 Apace 18 Alibi 19 Fogy

The winners of prize concise No 1413 are: Brigadier C. J. Collingwood Sherman, Langton Road, Speldhurst, Tunbridge Wells, and Miss A. Roberts, 36 Pickwick Road, London SE21.

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BRIDGE

Starved of final victory

The 28th Bermuda Bowl, which was held in Ocho Rios, Jamaica, in October, was notable for several reasons. Principally it will be remembered in this country for the achievement of the British team, who won the Silver Medal and held the powerful Americans for 160 boards of the 176 board final. It is the closest Britain has come to winning the World Championship since 1955.

Sadly in those last 16 boards, the Americans, who had looked distinctly shaky in the face of a strong British counter-attack, pulled themselves together to play nearly faultless bridge. Some commentators suggested that because the British had already played 608 boards to reach the final, compared with the American's 160, their defeat could be attributed to fatigue. Fatigue no: malnutrition, conceivably. The food was the most unappetising that I have met anywhere in the world, which includes a restaurant near Tunis where the cockroaches fell from the ceiling into my soup.

The choice of Ocho Rios as the venue for the Bermuda Bowl was apparently inspired by the World Bridge Federation's policy to encourage bridge in the Third World. Be that as it may, it was noticeable that the nabobs of the WBF had prudently chartered the late Henry Ford's luxury motor cruiser, which saved them from the shortcomings of the local cuisine.

Even if they missed the Gold Medal, the British established two minor records. In the first half of the match against Jamaica, the score stood at Great Britain 114 IMPs, Jamaica 0.

This hand from our semi-final against Sweden was the setting for the second record.

Great Britain v Sweden
Game all. Dealer East



The events in the Closed room were undramatic. As South, I played in three diamonds.

An exact defence might have beaten me, but in practice I made nine tricks for a score of 110.

The match was on vugraph, so the spectators were able to savour the full excitement of the exchanges in the Open room.

W	N	E	S
Forrester	Lindkvist	Armstrong	Fallenius
—	—	3NT(1)	No
3♡ (2)	No	No (3)	3NT(4)
Double (5)	No (6)	No	Redouble (7)
No	No (8)	No	—

(1) A two suiter — excluding clubs.
(2) To play. If East has a major two suiter.
(3) We have arrived.
(4) We haven't. Tempting but imprudent to introduce the minor two suiter.
(5) Smelling blood.
(6) Happily released from choosing between his two doubletons.
(7) If Fallenius had construed Lindkvist's pass as equal length in both minors, it would be right to bid his six card suit. More pertinently, if he suspected that Lindkvist might be a little at sea, it would surely be safer.
(8) British supporters couldn't suppress their delight at this unexpected denouement.

The defence was lethal. Forrester led the ♡5 to the ♡10 and Armstrong's ♡K. Armstrong returned the ♡9, which declarer decided to duck. With the intention of cutting declarer's entries Armstrong switched to the ♣9, shrewdly preserving the ♣J should Forrester wish to return a club. Declarer contributed the ♣K, and Forrester ducked. In deep trouble, declarer played a spade to dummy's ♠K, followed by the ♡Q. Armstrong took the ♡A and persevered with the ♣J. When declarer covered, Forrester won with the ♣A, cashed the ◇A, ◇K and pushed through the ♠10. Declarer did his best by ducking, but Armstrong overtook and put dummy on play with a heart. Declarer took the ♠A but was forced to concede the remainder of the tricks to Armstrong.

When the smoke cleared, the penalty came to 2800, and a swing of 21 IMPs to Britain. But the damage to the morale of the young Swedish pair, who until then had been playing so well, was probably an even greater blow to Sweden.

Jeremy Flint

CHESS

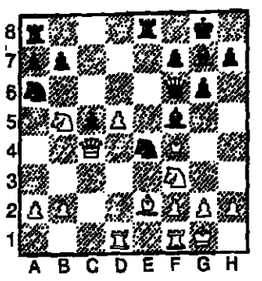
On the defence

One of the key battlegrounds of the Seville World Championship should be the Grunfeld Defence. It is possible, as the match wears on, that the Qb3 line, which brought Karpov stunning victories in games 17 and 19 last year, may play a major role.

Some months ago I published the game Djandava — Kasparov, where Kasparov sought to improve on his handling of the Black side from 1986. This week's game sees his idea in action against a much weightier opponent.

White: Alexander Beliavsky; Black: Garry Kasparov, Grunfeld Defence, Speed Chess for Soviet TV, Moscow 1987.

1 d4	Nf6	2 c4	g6	
3 Nc3	d5	4 Nf3	Bg7	
5 Qb3	dxc4	6 Qxc4	0-0	
7 e4	Na6	8 Be2	c5	
9 d5	e6	10 0-0	exd5	
11 exd5	Bf5	12 Bf4	Re8	
13 Rad1	Ne4	14 Nb5	Qf6	



A well-known position. Here Karpov-Kasparov, Game 19, Leningrad 1986 had continued: 15 Bd3 Nb4 16 Nc7 Nxd3 17 Nxe8 Rxe8 18 Qxd3 Qxb2 19 Rdc1 and White won. Kasparov's later attempt to improve came in Djandjava-Kasparov, Baku 1987: 15 Bd3 Rad8! 16 Rde1 Qxb2 17 Nc7 Nxc7 18 Bxc7 Nd2! and Black went on to win. Beliavsky now decides to be the first to vary.

15 d6

Grandmaster Mark Taimanov, the commentator for *Soviet TV*, calls this move a "new argument in the openings polemic".

15 —	Bd7	16 g3	g5	
17 Be3	h6	18 Nc7	Nxc7	
19 dxc7				

White's passed pawn looks fearsome, but it can easily be neutralized.

19 — Bc6

Taimanov thinks that 19 . . . Qc6 would have been stronger. The position now burns out to equality.

20 Nd2	Rac8	21 Nxe4	Rxe4	
22 Qxc5	Rxc7	23 Rd6	b6!	
24 Rxf6	bxc5	25 Rxc6!	Rxc6	
26 Bf3	Rxe3			

Draw agreed.

After 27 fxe3 the opposite Bishops guarantee a draw.

Should the Grunfeld Defence turn out to be a reliable defensive weapon it will free Kasparov's attention to concentrate on scoring wins with White. Of course, in the meantime, Karpov may put the Grunfeld entirely out of action with some diabolical novelty. Only time will tell.

Raymond Keene

THE TIMES ARTS DIARY

Selling off history

With a grand Christmas bazaar the V&A is about to employ its controversial power to sell unwanted items from the collection.

But the arts heritage lobby, currently concerned about the Arts Minister's plans to give the three national picture galleries similar disposal powers, need not worry unduly.

Artefacts going on sale to the public at the Theatre Museum, a branch of the V&A, for three days beginning December 11 are not priceless treasures but theatrical ephemera — playbills, posters and programmes — priced from about 50p to £100.

The clear-out is intended to ease storage problems and generate much-needed extra income for the museum, which will waive its £2.25 entry fee during the bazaar.

Director Alexander Schouvaloff stresses everything will be a duplicate of items retained and nothing from bequests will go on sale. "We simply don't need hundreds of copies of the same programme and this is an opportunity for us to avoid having to throw them away. People bring programmes to us practically every day."

● Moscow, Budapest, Scandinavia, Paris and now, finally, London. Actor Ian McKellen, back in Britain after a year in the States, is to give home audiences a proper chance to see his one-man show *Acting Shakespeare* from December 11 at the newly-opened Playhouse Theatre where the WAAF musical *Girlfriends* closes tonight after just five weeks.

McKellen gave 200 performances of his compilation of scenes and reminiscences around America, earning enough money to enable him to present this four-week season entirely in support of the London Lighthouse Aids Hospice. As well as donating all box-office proceeds (minus VAT), he also plans to trawl around audiences with a large collecting bucket.

Two leading ladies

Next year's revival of Noël Coward's *Bitter Sweet* by the New Sadler's Wells Opera will more than compensate for the show's absence since 1929 from London's professional stage — it is to have two consecutive first nights to accommodate its two leading ladies.



ENO star Valerie Masterson

ENO star Valerie Masterson steps in for the first at the Sadler's Wells Theatre on February 24, although during a preceding three-week season in Plymouth, Ann Mackay takes the role of Sarah Millick, who becomes the Marchioness of Shayne in this musical romance.

So Miss Mackay sings at the Wells on February 25, and both sopranos have 14 performances each there before the production departs on a 10-week national tour.

Sound of silence

Good news and bad from the London boroughs. Keats House remains open but the long-established Camden Music Festival — which annually encompasses a range of music from obscure operas to jazz — will not take place next year because of Camden council's financial crisis. And the Hampstead building where Keats wrote *Ode To A Nightingale* is likely to have fewer opening hours.

Meanwhile, Hammersmith council has reprieved the Lyric Theatre, Hammersmith, now intending to resuscitate Goethe's *Faust*. Hopes are high of finding a commercial sponsor for the £150,000 double-evening production opening April, the theatre's most ambition project to date.

If there's a wheel

Scuppered drivers of three-wheelers will unite on Thursday. Among those at the Thanksgiving Day gala performance of Sondheim's *Follies* in aid of the Tricycle Theatre will be Sir Clive Sinclair, creator of the ill-fated C5.

The Tricycle, Kilburn, often associated with American productions before its destruction by fire in May, bought all the seats for this performance at the Shaftesbury Theatre and also plans a turkey supper, hoping to raise £50,000. That would take its £150,000 appeal to the halfway mark.

Lynda Murdin

THE WEEK AHEAD



THEATRE

BARBED BRIERS: Richard Briers, one of the most popular comic actors on television and currently in the Top 20 with *Ever Decreasing Circles*, switches to a darker style to play Malvolio in *Twelfth Night*. The Renaissance Theatre Company production also stars Frances Barber, Caroline Langrishe and Anton Lesser and is directed by Kenneth Branagh, who plays Guy Pringle in BBC TV's *Fortunes of War*. The music is by Paul McCartney and Pat Doyle. Riverside Studios, London W5 (01-748 3354), from Thursday.



FILMS

FREEDOM FIGHTER: Richard Attenborough seemed misplaced as the director of *A Chorus Line*, but he is back beating the liberal drum in *Cry Freedom* (PG). Denzil Washington plays the South African activist Steve Biko; with Kevin Kline as Donald Woods, the journalist who campaigns for an enquiry into Biko's death during police detention. Attenborough spent 14 weeks shooting in Zimbabwe; the country's government put up 20 per cent of the budget. Empire Leicester Square (01-437 1234), from Friday.



ROCK

RADIO PHONE-IN: Roger Waters may have severed links with his Pink Floyd colleagues, but the *Radio K.A.O.S.* programme incorporates a sizeable chunk of his former group's material, including "Another Brick In The Wall" and "Wish You Were Here". It is presented as if it were a broadcast from a Californian radio station, and one of the neater touches is a phone box in the auditorium from which members of the audience can call the artistes on stage. Today and tomorrow, Wembley Arena (01-902 1234).



OPERA

DYNAMIC DUO: Eva Marton has chosen Puccini's *Tosca* as the role in which to make her Covent Garden debut, something she has done at a number of other houses over the past few years. The Budapest-born soprano has one of the biggest voices around at the moment and with Giuseppe Sinopoli conducting his first London *Tosca* Thursday's revival is unlikely to be a timid affair. Peter Dvorsky (Cavardossi) and Ingvar Wixell (Scarpia) can be pretty forceful singers too. Royal Opera House, London WC2 (01-240 1066).



BOOKS

MARXMAN: S J Perelman kept the world laughing for 50 years, as writer for the *New Yorker* and as screenwriter for the Marx Brothers. Wherever he was, he took *The Times* of London every day as a source for his witty *espiègleries*. The first biography of him since his death is published on Thursday. In a showbiz *Pagliacci* cliché that Sid would have enjoyed, it purports to show that behind the public mask of funny man was a complex, tormented man. *S J Perelman* by Dorothy Herrmann Simon & Schuster (£14.95).



CONCERTS

LONDON DEBUT: Vladimir Ovchinikov, winner of this year's Leeds International Piano Competition, makes his belated London debut tomorrow. The characteristically taxing programme comprises Liszt's *Réminiscences de Don Juan*, Polonaise No 2 and Five Etudes, Rachmaninov's Sonata No 2 and three Etudes-Tableaux. The West first heard of him in 1982 when he tied with Peter Donohoe for first prize in the Moscow Tchaikovsky competition. Barbican Centre, London EC2 (01-628 8795), 3pm.

THEATRE

LONDON

AN AGREEABLE BLUNDER: World première of Janet Suzman's one-woman show of poetry, prose and verse dramatizing the theme of womanhood. With guitar acompaniment by Bill Homewood.
Purcell Room, South Bank, SE1 (01-928 8191). Tonight 7.30pm.

CROWNED WITH FAME: Musical play by Michael Ellis and Good Company returns to London after a tour. The story of the now-neglected black British composer Samuel Taylor Coleridge, whose *Hiawatha* made him a teenage celebrity.
Battersea Arts Centre, Lavender Hill, SW11 (01-223 6557). Opens Wed.

DREAMS OF SAN FRANCISCO: Simon Stokes directs Jacqueline Holborough's survey of the current British women's movement. Cast includes Jenny Lecoat, Joanna Monro.
Bush Theatre, Bush Hotel, Shepherds Bush Green, W12 (01-743 3388). Previews Wed. Opens Nov 30.

FAUSTUS: Actors Touring Company in a three-man touring version of the Marlowe play *Dr Faustus*, directed and adapted by Mark Brickman.
Lyric Studio, King Street, W6 (01-741 2311). Opens Tues.

JACK AND THE BEANSTALK: Bob Mason's version, first seen at the Liverpool Everyman, is far from conventional but still intended to entertain all ages. Initially mornings and matinées only.
Half Moon, 213 Mile End Road, E1 (790 4000). Opens Tues.

PRIVATE MEMBERS: The Go-Go Boys offer a new show "about a masochistic homosexual Tory MP and his crusade for traditional family values".
Half Moon, 213 Mile End Road, E1 (01-790 4000). Previews from Fri. Opens Dec 1.

TWELFTH NIGHT: ACTER, the now independent former touring arm of the RSC, presents a five-handed version of the play. Not to be confused with the production at the Riverside Studios (see top of the page).
Young Vic Studio, 66 The Cut, SE1 (01-928 6363). Opens Tues.

WINNIE THE POOH: Glyn Robbins's adaptation, said to be the first stage play from A A Milne's stories, comes to London for Christmas after a successful tour.
Royalty, Sardinia Street, off Kingsway, WC2 (01-831 0660). From Tues.

OUT OF TOWN

BRIGHTON: Wife Begins at Forty: Liza Goddard, Hywel Bennett and Jimmy Edwards in *a farcical sex-comedy* which had a West End run a few years back.
Theatre Royal (0273 28488). Opens Mon.

GUILDFORD: It Runs In The Family: World première of a Ray Cooney comedy which he directs and appears in, alongside John Quayle, Una *Stubbs*, Bill Pertwee, Wanda Ventham and Peter Blake.
Yvonne Arnaud (0483 60191). Previews from Tues. Opens Thurs.

EDINBURGH: Private Lives: Ian Brown directs the Noel Coward comedy about former husband and wife meeting on their separate second honeymoons.
Royal Lyceum (031 229 9697). Free preview Thurs. Opens Fri.

WATFORD: The Cat and the Canary: Comedy thriller by John Willard (as famously filmed with Bob Hope). Tony Slattery, Neil Dickson and Francesca Brill lead, directed by Stephen Barry.
Palace Theatre (0923 25671). Previews from Thurs. Opens Dec 2.

CONCERTS

GLASS LIGHT: European premiere of Philip Glass's *Light* is given by the BBC SO under Christoph von Dohnányi, who also play Ives's memorable *Three Places in New England* and Bartok's Concerto for Orchestra.
Royal Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800). Today 7.30pm.

PHILHARMONIA 30TH: The Philharmonia Chorus marks its 30th anniversary by performing Mozart's Requiem with the Philharmonia Orchestra and soloists under Carlo Maria Giulini.
Royal Festival Hall. Tomorrow and Mon 7.30pm.

DANIEL ADNI: This pianist offers the best of Mendelssohn's keyboard music in the Fantasy Op 28 and *Variations sérieuses*, adding to these Debussy's *Suite bergamasque*, *Deux arabesques* and *Pour le piano*.
Wigmore Hall, 36 Wigmore Street, London W1 (01-935 2141). Tues 7.30pm.

FROM WARSAW: Kazimierz Kord conducts the Warsaw Philharmonic in Beethoven's Piano Concerto No 5 "Emperor," in which the soloist is John Lill, Shostakovich's Symphony No 5 and Sibelius's *Finlandia*.
Royal Festival Hall. Thurs 7.30pm.

FINZI'S INTIMATIONS: The Bach Choir, RPO and soloists perform Intimations of Immortality, Finzi's Wordsworth setting, following it with *Belshazzar's Feast* by Walton. Sir David Willcocks conducts.
Royal Festival Hall. Fri 7.30pm.

FILMS

INNERSPACE (PG): Imaginative comic fantasy from the Spielberg factory. Dennis Quaid is the miniaturized Air Force pilot implanted by error into the body of a meek grocery clerk (Martin Short). Joe Dante directs.
Warner West End (01-439 0791), from Fri.

THE KITCHEN TOTO (15): Writer-director Harry Hook makes an impressive debut with this observant drama about a bewildered young servant during Kenya's fight for independence. With Bob Peck and Phyllis Logan.
Cannon Haymarket (01-839 1527), Cannon Première (01-439 4470), Cannon Tottenham Court Road (01-636 6148), from Fri.

BEST SELLER (18): Police thriller with a wobbly plot but impressive performances from Brian Dennehy (as the cop plagued by an unsolved case) and James Woods (a cold-blooded mystery man). Directed by John Flynn; with Victoria Tennant.
Leicester Square Theatre (01-930 5252), from Fri.

PHOTOGRAPHY

ANDREAS HEUMANN: Advertising photographer who also makes more personal pictures such as landscapes and still-lifes; arty but attractive, especially his fastidiously hand-coloured prints.
Hamilton Gallery, 13 Carlos Place, London W1 (01-499 9433).

STAGES: Exhibition of advertising and commercial photography where images are dictated by art directors or economics or both. The results are usually bold, innovative and imaginative.
The Photographers Gallery, 5 & 8 Great Newport Street, London WC2 (01-831 1772).

OPERA

SCOTTISH OPERA: New production of *Lulu*, conducted by John Mauceri and sung in English, on Tues and Fri; Gilbert Deflo's Victorian *Aida* on Thurs and Sat Nov 28; and *Il Seraglio* on Wed. All start at 7.15pm.
Theatre Royal, Glasgow (041 331 1234).

WELSH NATIONAL OPERA: Elegant new production of *Fledermaus* on Tues and Thurs; welcome revival of Janacek's *Cunning Little Vixen* on Sat Nov 28; and two performances of their harem-scarem *Figaro* on Wed and Fri. All start at 7.15pm.
Apollo Theatre, Oxford (0865 244544).

NEW SADLER'S WELLS OPERA: Still touring with Christopher Renshaw's popular production of *HMS Pinafore*. Performances on Tues until Sat Nov 28 at 7.30pm, Sat mat 2.30pm.
Empire Theatre, Sunderland (091 514 2517).

TELEVISION

FOOTSTEPS: David Drew follows the trail of the American archaeologist, Hiram Bingham, who set out for Peruvian Andes in 1911 to find the lost city of the Incas.
BBC2, Tues, 9.30-10.20pm.

RIGOLETTO: Verdi's opera, filmed in Mantua by Jean-Pierre Ponnelle, with Ingvar Wixell, Edita Gruberova and Luciano Pavarotti.
Channel 4, Wed, 9-11.15pm.

YOUR HONOUR, I OBJECT!: The legal battle between Bob Guccione of *Penthouse* and the film director, Ken Russell, over a projected movie version of *Moll Flanders*.
BBC2, Fri, 9.50-10.40pm.

FILMS ON TV



● **Richard Widmark (above) as the spiv caught up in a wrestling racket in Jules Dassin's 1950 thriller, *Night and the City*. The film was an attempt to repeat the success of the same director's *Naked City*, with the setting transferred from New York to London. Gene Tierney plays Widmark's girl friend, while the British members of the cast include Googie Withers and Francis L Sullivan. Channel 4, Wednesday, 2.15-4pm.**

A WALK IN THE SUN (1945): Dana Andrews and Richard Conte as US infantrymen in Italy in Lewis Milestone's quietly effective study of men at war.
Channel 4, tomorrow, 10pm-12.10am.

STARDUST MEMORIES (1980): Woody Allen, with a nod to Fellini, playing a successful film director trying to cope with fame.
BBC2, Mon, 9-10.25pm.

MY BRILLIANT CAREER (1979): Judy Davis as the girl from the Australian outback determined to break free from her working class roots.
BBC1, Wed, 2.15-3.50pm.

DANCE

LONDON CONTEMPORARY: Last performance tonight of *Phantasmagoria*. Plus three London premières: Rosalind Newman's *John Somebody*, set to music by Scott Johnson; Jonathan Lunn's *Hang-Up*, written by Anthony Mingella; and Siobhan Davies's *Red Steps*, with John Adams's music and Hugh O'Donnell's design.
Sadler's Wells Theatre (01-278 8916) until Dec 5.

SCOTTISH BALLET: Lloyd Embleton's *For You Were Mine* is set to Sibelius; Paolo Lopes's *Libera Me* to Rachmaninov; and Jane Jewel's *Just Stepping Along* to songs by Renaldo Hahn.
Studio Theatre, West Princes Street, Glasgow (041 227 5511). Thurs-Fri, Nov 28 and Dec 3-5.

SADLER'S WELLS ROYAL BALLET: Four recent creations by David Bentley, Michael Corder, Susan Crow and Graham Lustig are given today at Leeds and Thurs, Fri at Southampton with Ashton's romantic classic *La Fille Mal Gardée* (Tues-Thurs and Nov 28).
Grand Theatre, Leeds (0532 459351). Mayflower, Southampton (0703 229771).

JAZZ

PARIS REUNION BAND: All-star "little big band" of black American musicians. With Nathan Davis, Joe Henderson and Nat Adderley in the line-up, the group is more than just an exercise in nostalgia.
Ronnie Scott's Club, London W1 (01-439 0747). Mon-Sat.

ROGER KELLAWAY: The composer-pianist who has worked with musicians as varied as Sonny Rollins and Joni Mitchell takes up a two week residency.
Pizza on the Park, London SW1 (01-235 5550). Tues

NORMA WINSTONE: Arguably the country's most adventurous vocalist, in a rare solo club appearance.
Bass Clef, London N1 (01-729 2476), Sun, 8.30pm.

ROCK

WORKING WEEK: A touch of *funk, a little soul, a soupçon of* gospel: all directed by the carefully poised singing of Juliet Roberts.
Tonight International, Manchester (061 224 5050); tomorrow Leeds Polytechnic (0532 430171); Tues, Bierkeller Bristol (0272 268514); Wed Exeter University (0392 263528); Thurs Town & Country, London (01-267 3334).

THE CULT: Since Def Jam supremo Rick Rubin produced *Electric*, they have revelled in their admiration of AC/DC and Led Zeppelin.
Thurs Newport Leisure Centre, Gwent (0633 59676).

RADIO

THE POTTING SHED: Richard Pasco leads Graham Greene's play about the Callifer family and a painful discovery from their past.
Radio 4, Mon, 8.15-9.45pm.

HIGH FANTASTICAL: Rula Lenska as the mysterious Lady Faustus, target of the town gossips, in the first of five magical plays.
Radio 4, Thurs, 3-4pm.

ON THE DAY I WAS BORN: Bernard Weatherill, Speaker of the House of Commons, talks to Larry Harris about the events of November 25, 1920.
Radio 4, Fri, 4.05-4.30pm.



● **Brian Redhead (above) is one of the stalwarts of *Today* which celebrates its 30th birthday next week. The programme was made famous by its second regular presenter, Jack de Manio, and his inability to tell the time. De Manio was succeeded by Robinson and Redhead joined in 1975, forming a popular double act with John Timpson which ran for 11 years.**
Radio 4, Monday to Friday, 6.30-9am; Saturday, 7-9am.

GALLERIES

GRAHAM CROWLEY: Recent narrative paintings inspired by inner city dereliction and nuclear anxiety.
Chapter Arts Centre, Cardiff (0222 396061). From today.

VICTORIAN ENGRAVINGS: Fifty engravings after important paintings at affordable prices from 100.
Maas Gallery, London W1 (01-734 2302). From Tues.

RASHEED ARAEEN: A retrospective: 1959-1987.
Ikon Gallery, 58-72 John Bright Street, Birmingham (021 643 0708). From Tues.

WALKS

WESTMINSTER IN THE AGE OF CHIVALRY: meet today, Westminster tube, 2.30pm, £2.75.

***HISTORIC PUB WALK* — THAMESIDE:** meet today, Blackfriars tube, 7.30pm, £2.25.

LONDON'S UNDERGROUND RAILWAY: meet tomorrow, Baker Street tube, 11am, £3.

BOOKINGS

FIRST CHANCE

PLG 20TH CENTURY MUSIC SERIES: Young musicians perform contemporary works, including pieces by Judith Weir, Thea Musgrave, Peter Maxwell *Davies and John Taverner*.
Jan 11-15.
Purcell Room, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800). Advance booking open. General booking from Dec 1/2.

LAST CHANCE

CAVALCADE: Exhibition of animal regalia and decorative clothing, including horse saddle covers in gold and silver thread, plus covers for elephants and camels. Over 150 items from countries including India, Turkey, Mexico, Africa and *Afghanistan. Ends today.*
Glynn Vivian Art Gallery, Alexandra Road, Swansea (0792 55006).

WORD-WATCHING

Answers from facing page 24

LAMIA
(c) A fabulous monster with the body of a woman, supposed to eat children; from Greek, hence Latin.

ERIC
(a) Old Irish blood fine paid by a murderer to the family of his victim.

STRATEPHRENIA
(c) Neurosis induced by military service, from the Greek words for army, and being out of one's mind.

OO
(c) A black and yellow bird from Hawaii, *Moho braccatus*, once the source of yellow feathers for millinery, now believed to be extinct.

AWU
(c) Acronym for Atomic Weight Unit equal to one sixteenth of the atomic weight of oxygen.

Theatre: Tony Patrick; Films: Geoff Brown; Concerts: Max Harrison; Opera: Hilary Finch; Rock: David Sinclair; Jazz: Clive Davis; Dance: John Percival; Galleries: David Lee; Photography: Mike Young; Walks: Greta Carslaw; Television, Radio and Films on TV: Peter Waymark; Bookings: Anne Whitehouse.

Retreat from the élite

Few have been more aware of their social responsibilities than French artist Fernand Léger (1881-1955). Nowhere is this more true than in the paintings he made during the last 20 years of his life and which are being featured in an exhibition at Whitechapel Art Gallery.

By using popular subject matter, acrobats, cyclists, construction workers and families at play, Léger attempted in these late paintings to retreat from what he considered to be the progressively more élitist tendencies of contemporary art.

Being the son of Norman peasants, and having the stocky build and thick-set features of his class, Léger was acutely conscious of the educational potential of art, because he himself had benefited so crucially from its civilizing influence. He thought that art might do for everyone what it had done for him. "The work of art," he wrote, "is for those who feel; it is their revenge on the intellectuals."

During his last years Léger was concerned that Modernism was distancing itself dangerously from the people. Having been an avant-gardist — he had originated a style called Tubism, a variant of Cubism — Léger was not entirely innocent himself in this respect. But his long period spent experimenting with the formal, decorative properties of colour — a component he called a "raw material indispensible of life" — was ultimately responsible for the dazzling orchestration of primary colours used later. *From the mid-1930s onwards* he considered abstract art fatally flawed as a means of encouraging public participation in the thrill of visual art.

But he also knew that the gulf which was opening between painting and its audience was not all art's fault. With the zeal of a Victorian demagogue Léger challenged museums and galleries to explain why they closed their doors just as workers were clocking off — a situation he referred to as "the tragedy of today". He campaigned vigorously for late opening.

And if this was not to be, then art must fight its way out of galleries and into street life. Léger was a fanatical advocate of murals and the great potential existing in post-war reconstruction for collaboration between artist and architect. He emphasized in his writings that it was, after all, only co-operation between painter, mason and builder which had caused the triumph of great cathedral building in the Middle Ages. Nevertheless, it mystified him that acres of brutal wall space were left bare, as testimony only to the architect's ego.



Hommage à David: one of the paintings by the French artist Fernand Léger currently being exhibited at the Whitechapel Art Gallery in London.

Léger was equally critical of "the masses", whom he urged to educate themselves. But first they must be introduced to the pleasures of creativity by enlightened art education and access to materials from an early age. He believed sincerely that given its head, art might change the world for the better.

Léger's late paintings, with their idealized vision of a harmonious society in complete control of its destiny, scarcely need a commentary. Their *raison d'être* was, and is, simply to enlighten and to be enjoyed.

The irony is that despite Léger's pleas for free, unlimited access to galleries the forthcoming exhibition of his own work will cost £2.50 to see and is only open late on one evening a week; Wednesdays until 8pm. *Plus ça change...*

David Lee

Fernand Léger: The Later Years is at Whitechapel Art Gallery, London E1 (01-377 0107) from Friday until February 21.

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

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SATURDAY

BBC1 WALES 5.15-5.20pm Sports News Wales SCOTLAND 12.15-5.05pm As Grandstand except Bowls at 12.40, 1.15, 2.15 and 3.15. 5.15-5.20 Scottish News and Sport 10.10-10.40 Sportscene. (Rugby Union: Hawick v Kelso) NORTHERN IRELAND 4.52-5.05pm Northern Ireland Results (within Grandstand) 5.15-5.20 Inside Ulster Newsline 12.50-12.55am Northern Ireland News ENGLAND 5.15-5.29pm South and East (London) — Sport. South and West (Plymouth) — Spotlight News and Sport. All other English regions — Regional News and Sport.

ANGLIA As London except-t:11.30am Randall & Hopkirk (Deceased) 12.30pm-1.00 ALF.

BORDER As London except-t:11.30am Groovy Ghoulies 12.00-1.00pm UFO 10.35 Easy Street 11.00 Heart of the City 12.00 Starring the Actors 12.30am Closedown.

CENTRAL As London except-t:11.00am Film: Captain Courageous 12.50pm-1.00 Cartoon 10.35 Prisoner Cell Block H 11.30 Film: Carry on Dick 1.10am Olivia Newton John 2.10 Film: If... 4.15 News, Jobfinder.

CHANNEL As London except-t:11.30am Streethawk 12.30pm-1.00 Survival of the Fittest 4.00am Company, Closedown.

GRAMPIAN As London except:11.30am ALF 12.00-1.00pm Highway to Heaven 11.30 Fleetwood Mac 12.30am Reflections, Closedown.

GRANADA As London except:11.30am-1.00pm Film: The Flanagan Boy 2.15-2.45 ALF 11.20 Film: Urban Cowboy 1.55am Barney Miller 2.25 America's Top Ten 2.55 Closedown.

HTV WEST As London except:11.30am Easy Street 12.00 ALF 12.30pm-1.00 America's Top 10 10.35 Film: Battle for the V1' 12.35am Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except:10.35pm-11.20 Cup Rugby 11.20-12.35am Film: An Honourable Murder".

SCOTTISH As London except:11.30am America's Top 10 12.00-1.00pm Highway to Heaven 10.30 Late Call 10.35 Film: Melody 12.35am Closedown.

TSW As London except-t:11.30am Greatest American Hero 12.30pm-1.00 South West Week 5.05-5.15 Newsport 10.35 Film: Not Now Darling 12.30am Postscript, Closedown.

TVS As London except:11.30am Streethawk 12.30pm-1.00 Survival of the Fittest 4.00am Company, Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except:11.30am-1.00pm Film: Doctor in Trouble 2.45 Joan Baez at Notre Dame 3.45-4.45 Darts 1.00am Poetry of the People, Closedown.

ULSTER As London except-t:11.30am-1.00pm Film: Island in the Snow 4.55-5.00 Sports Results 10.35 Magnum 11.30 Mountbatten — The Last Viceroy 12.20am Newstime, Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except:11.30am-1.00pm Film: Island in the Snow 10.35 Film: Growing Pains 11.35 Film: Growing Pains 11.35 Film: Counsellor Traitor 2.05am Meltdown 3.05 Jobfinder 4.45 Closedown.

S4C Starts:9.30am Coping 10.00 What the Papers Say 10.15 Years Ahead 11.00 Mavis on Four 11.30 Second Glance 11.45 Sea War' 12.15pm Scotland's Story 12.50 World of Animation 1.00 Black Rhino 2.30 Film: Forever Amber' 5.00 Sewing The Tiger 6.00 Right to Reply 6.30 A Houseful of Plants 7.00 To the End of the Rhine 7.30 Newyddion 7.50 Pwthmtro 8.20 Awyr Las 8.25 Y Mass Chwarae 10.30 Golden Girls 11.00 Saturday Almost Live 12.00 Racing 12.30am World Cup ot Golf 2.45 Closedown.

SUNDAY

BBC1 WALES 12.50-12.55am News of Wales headlines SCOTLAND 12.25-12.50pm Landward 3.00-3.40 Everyman 3.40-5.20 CIS Scottish Indoor Bowls Championships 10.20-11.10 A House Divided (Union Debate at Glasgow University) 11.10 International Snooker (Joining Network) 12.50-12.55am Scottish News NORTHERN IRELAND 12.35-12.50pm Tomorrow's Farm 12.50-12.55am Northern Ireland News. WALES: 2.00-2.40 pm Rugby Special Wales (Ystradgynlais v Cardiff) (South Wales Police v Wrexham) 4.30-5.50 From the Festivals. North Wales Music Festival in St Asaph.

ANGLIA As London except-t:9.25am-9.35 Speedy and Daffy 1.00pm Link 1.15 Bioscope Bygones 1.20 News 1.30-2.00 Farming Diary 5.00 Man in a Suitcase 6.00-6.30 Bullseye

BORDER As London except-t:9.25am-9.35 Speedy and Daffy 1.00pm Farming Outlook 1.30 News 1.35 Cartoon 1.45-2.00 Link 5.00 Highway to Heaven 6.00-6.30 Bullseye 11.30 James Galway 12.00 Closedown.

CENTRAL As London except-t:9.25am-9.35 Speedy and Daffy 1.00 News 1.05-1.15 Central Post 1.30-2.00 Here and Now 5.00 Highway to Heaven 6.00-6.30 Bullseye 11.30 Prisoner Cell Block H 12.25am Donahue 1.25 Film: Trygon Factor 3.05 News, Jobfinder.

CHANNEL As London except-t:9.25am-9.35 Starting Pomt 1.00pm Link 1.15 Les Français Chez-Vous 1.30-2.00 Farm Focus 4.30 Bullseye 5.00-6.30 Knights of God 3.15am Company. Close down.

GRAMPIAN As London except-t:9.25am-9.35 Cartoon 1.40-2.00 Link 2.30 Film: Passion 4.00-4.30 Bullseye 5.00-6.30 Scotsport 11.30 James Galway 12.00 Reflections, Closedown.

GRANADA As London except-t:9.25am-9.35 Speedy and Daffy 1.00pm Members Only 1.05 This Is Your Right 1.35 Aap Kaa Hak 1.40-2.00 Link 5.00 Who's The Boss? 5.30 Bullseye 6.00-6.30 Down to Earth 11.30 Silk Road 12.30am Closedown.

HTV WEST As London except-t:9.25am-9.35 Speedy and Daffy 1.00pm Farming Wales 1.30 Cartoon 1.45-2.00 Link 5.00 Highway to Heaven 6.00-6.30 Bullseye 11.30 America's Top Ten 12.00 Automate 12.30am Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except:Wide Variation.

SCOTTISH As London except-t:9.25am-9.35 Cartoon 2.00 Gods of War 2.30 Film: When Worlds Collide 4.00-4.30 Bullseye 5.00-5.30 Scotsport 11.30 Late Call 11.35 Hunter 12.35am Closedown.

TSW As London except-t:9.25am-9.35 Speedy and Daffy 1.00pm Tightlines 1.10 Farming News 1.45-2.00 Link 4.30 Gardens for All 5.00 Knights of God 5.30 ALF 6.00-6.30 Bullseye 11.30 T J Hooker 12.25am Postscript, Closedown.

TVS As London except:9.25am-9.35 Cartoon 1.00pm Link 1.15 Action! 1.30-2.00 Enterprise South 4.30 Bullseye 5.00-5.30 Knights of God 3.15am Company, Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except-t:9.25am-9.35 Hello Sunday 1.00pm Farming Outlook 1.30 Smurfs 1.45-2.00 Link 5.00 Who's The Boss? 5.30 Northern Life 6.00-6.30 Bullseye 11.30 At the Works 12.00 Epilogue, Closedown.

ULSTER As London except-t:9.25am-9.35 Cartoon 1.00pm Ask Anne 1.30-2.00 Farming Ulster 5.00 Finding Fax Future 6.00-6.30 Bullseye 11.30 Silk Road 12.30am Sports Results 12.35 Newstime, Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except-t:9.25am-9.35 Cartoon 1.00pm Cartoon 1.10 Link 1.25-2.00 Farming Diary 5.00 Hart to Hart 6.00-6.30 Bullseye 11.30 Dionne Warwick in London 12.30am Five Minutes 12.35 Jobfinder 1.35 Closedown.

S4C Starts:9.00am Hatoc 10.00 World This Week 11.00 Today's History 11.30 Worzel Gummidge Down Under 12.00 The Wattons 1.00pm Arwyddion Ffyrdd 1.30 Off the Page 2.00 Film: The Quiet American' 4.15 Equinox 5.15 Business Programme 6.00 American Football 7.15 Sam Tan 7.20 Newyddion 7.30 Rhaglen Hywel Gwynfryn 8.10 Pobol Y Cwm 8.40 Dechrau Canu, Dechrau Canmol 9.10 Hel Straeon 9.40 Smacar 10.20 St Elsewhere 11.15 Twilight Zone 11.45 Closedown.

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TELEVISION AND RADIO

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

Compiled by Peter Dear and Peter Davalle

● The Postman Always Rings Twice (BBC2, 2.30pm) is one of four film versions of James M. Cain's story of the drifter whose infatuation with the wife of a roadside café owner sets off a chain reaction of treachery, blackmail and murder. It can be compared with Ossessione (BBC2, 10.50pm) which transferred the story to provincial Italy and marked the directorial debut of Luchino Visconti. The films are both products of their time and place. The first, starring John Garfield and Lana Turner as the doomed lovers, was made in Hollywood in 1946. The sexual passion at the heart of Cain's novel had, inevitably, to be suggested

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rather than shown and Turner's immaculate hair-do and crisp white clothes hardly suggest a working class tramp. But the irony and fatalism of the book, and some of its brutality, still come across, despite the director, Tay Garnett's, impersonal style. Visconti's film, made in 1942, is the complete antithesis to Hollywood gloss. Shot entirely on location, and using little-known actors, it achieved a gritty realism which is closer to the spirit of Cain, even if the Po Valley may seem a long way from California.

Peter Waymark



John Garfield, Lana Turner, and Alan Reed: The Postman Always Rings Twice, on BBC2, 2.30pm



Father Carney and his mother: the story of the missing priest is told in Everyman, BBC1, 10.20pm

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● Father Jim Carney was an American priest who went missing four years ago in the jungles of Honduras. The circumstances were controversial. Known locally as Father Guadalupe, he had aligned himself with the plight of the Honduran poor and been expelled from the country. He had joined an armed guerrilla group on an invasion of Honduras from Nicaragua. The official verdict was that he had died of starvation after an ambush. But the Carney family believed that he had been captured, tortured and killed — probably with the knowledge of the CIA. A previous programme on the Carney case won a Royal Television Society award. In Everyman: The File on Father Guadalupe (BBC1, 10.20pm) reporter David Jessel goes back on the trail, spurred by the prospect of new evidence. It comes from Florencio Caballero, a former member of the Honduran death squad who has defected to Canada. The programme still does not have all the answers. But it does enough to suggest that Father Guadalupe was sacrificed on the Reagan administration's determination that Marxism, real or imagined, must not be allowed to prevail in Central America.

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BBC1

8.20 Roobarb (r). **8.25** Saturday Starts Here with Comers (r). **8.40** ChuckleVision **9.00** The Muppet Babies **9.30** Going Live! includes Johnny Hates Jazz, Shakin' Stevens and Phil Cool **12.12** Weather.

12.15 Grandstand introduced by Desmond Lynam. The line-up is (subject to alteration): **12.20** Football Focus; **12.40** and **3.55** Rugby League: preview and coverage of a John Player Special Trophy game; **12.55, 1.25** and **2.00** Racing from Ascot; **1.10** News; **1.15** and **1.40** Boxing from Battersea; **2.15** Swimming: the National Short Course Championships; **3.00** Snooker: the Tennants UK Championship; **3.50** Half times **4.40** Final score.

5.05 News with Moira Stuart. Weather. **5.15** Regional news/sport.

5.20 Rolf Harris Cartoon Time.

5.45 Telly Addicts. The Russell family from Poole meet the Hewitts of Chester-le-Street.

6.15 My Family and Other Animals. Episode six. (Ceefax)

6.45 Bob's Full House. Bingo quiz show. (Ceefax)

7.20 'Allo 'Allo! Rene spruces himself up when interviewing applicants for the waitressing job. Starring Gorden Kaye. (Ceefax)

7.45 Casualty. Two drunks cause havoc in the casualty department. (Ceefax)

8.35 Just Good Friends. Vince's parents' Portuguese villa provides a perfect love nest (r). (Ceefax)

9.05 News and sport. With Moira Stuart. Weather.

9.20 Cagney and Lacey. The two New York police officers this week have to deal with racial unrest in the city. (Ceefax)

10.10 Monty Python's Flying Circus (r).

10.40 International Snooker. A round five match in the Tennents United Kingdom Championship between Steve Davis and Alex Higgins, introduced by David Vine from the Guild Hall, Preston.

12.20 Late Night in Concert. The Austrian singer Falco and his band perform in the Alte Oper, Frankfurt. Presented by Anne Nightingale.

12.50 Weather.

BBC2

9.00 Ceefax **11.10** Open University.

1.30 Network presented by Valerie Vaz and Samantha Meah. Timothy Renton, minister of state at the Home Office, is interviewed about the Government's new immigration bill; there is a profile of "Tiger" Dalbir Singh, the British heavyweight wrestling champion who defends his title in Blackburn on Wednesday; and disco pop music from Bali and Bina.

2.10 Under Sail. The West German navy's three masted barque *Gorch Fock* (r).

2.30 Film: The Postman Always Rings Twice (1946, b/w). (see Choice)

4.20 The Sky at Night. A repeat of last Sunday's programme in which Patrick Moore had advice on buying an astronomical telescope.

4.40 International Snooker. Fifth round action in the Tennents United Kingdom Championship, introduced by David Vine.

5.05 International Bridge Club. The Canberra World Bridge Tournament, presented by Clare Harrison. With Tony Forrester, Sami Kehela, Zia Mahmood and P.O.Sundelin.

5.35 España Viva. Spanish for beginners series presented by Yolanda Vázquez (r).

6.00 The Week in the Lords introduced by Christopher Jones.

6.40 NewsView with Moira Stuart. Weather.

7.20 Shostakovich: The Golden Age. A three act ballet performed by the Bolshoi Ballet at the Bolshoi Theatre, Moscow. Choreography is by Yuri Grigorovich and the Orchestra of the Bolshoi Ballet is conducted by Alexander Lavrenyuk. Starring Natalya Bessmertnova, Irek Mukhamedov, Gediminas Taranda, Tatyana Gotlkova and Mikhail Tsivin.

9.20 Fortunes of War. A repeat of last Sunday's episode six. (Ceefax)

10.20 Rally Report presented by Sue Baker, Tony Mason and William Woollard. A preview of the 1987 Lombard RAC Rally which begins tomorrow in Chester.

10.50 Film: Ossessione (1942, b/w). (see Choice). Ends at **1.15.**

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6.00 TV-am presented by Geoff Clark. **7.30** The Wide Awake Club

9.25 No 73. Entertainment for the young **11.00** The Roxy (r). **11.30** Frocks on the Box (r). **12.00** The Fall Guy. Stunt man adventures.

1.00 News.

1.05 Saint & Greavsie. **1.35** Wrestling from St George's Hall, Bradford.

2.15 The Cuckoo Waltz. Comedy series.

2.45 Film: The Life and Times of Grizzly Adams (1974) starring Dan Haggerty, Don Shanks and Denver Pyle. An adventure tale of a mid-19th century fur trapper who became a mountain man. Directed by Richard Friendenberg. **4.30** Cartoon Time.

4.45 Results Service.

5.00 News.

5.05 Walt Disney Presents. Mickey's Parrot.

5.15 Blockbusters.

5.45 3-2-1. Game show introduced by Ted Rogers. The guests include Frankie Vaughan, Marion Montgomery and Showaddywaddy. (Oracle)

6.45 Copy Cats. Comedy impressions.

7.15 Blind Date. Boy meets girl show. (Oracle)

8.00 Home to Roost. Comedy series starring John Thaw and Reece Dinsdale. (Oracle)

8.30 Film: Etude in Black (1972) starring Peter Falk and John Cassavetes. A made-for-television mystery for police lieutenant Columbo when a leading musician is faced with exposure if his wife finds out about his affair with another woman. Directed by Nick Colosanto. (Oracle)

10.15 News and sport.

10.35 Crazy Like a Fox. Harry and Harrison are looking for a murderer on a tropical island. Followed by LWT News headlines.

11.30 Film: The World's Greatest Lover (1977) starring Gene Wilder. Comedy about a film studio's search to find a screen star to rival Valentino. Directed by Gene Wilder.

1.00 Night Network includes film director Derek Jarman.

4.00 Hawaii Five-O. A father demands his ransom money back when his kidnapped son escapes (r).

4.55 Baseball '87. San Francisco Giants v St Louis Cardinals. Ends at **6.00.**

CHANNEL 4

9.30 Coping after release from prison (r). **10.00** Moneyspinner (r). **10.30** Scotland's Story. Part 18 (r). **11.00** Old Country (r). **11.30** Dancin' Days (r) **12.00** Make Your Own Video. Part one (r).

12.30 Hiawatha. Michael Bogdanov's dramatized version of Longfellow's classic poem (r).

2.00 Film: And Now Tomorrow (1944, b/w) starring Alan Ladd, Loretta Young and Susan Hayward. Romantic drama, set in New England in the mid-1930s, about a young doctor and the patient he tries to cure with an untried drug. Directed by Irving Pichel.

3.55 Film: Happy Land (1943, b/w) starring Don Ameche. Drama, set in small town America, about a man who becomes embittered when his only son is killed in action during the Second World War. Directed by Irving Pichel.

5.05 Brookside (r). (Oracle)

6.00 Right to Reply.

6.30 To the End of the Rhine. This final leg of Bernard Levin's journey down the Rhine begins at Remagen Bridge.

7.00 News summary and weather followed by Citizen 2000. A portrait of two five-year olds — Ross, a black Londoner, and Rosanna, a white girl living in Oxford.

7.30 Bandung File examines the mystery surrounding the original arrest of Trevor Monerville from Hackney

8.30 Gnostics. Part three of the series on an alternative Christian religion.

9.30 A Fine Romance. Domestic comedy series starring Judi Dench and Michael Williams (r). (Oracle)

10.00 St Elsewhere. Elliot broods over his worthiness as a doctor and a human being; and Chandler tries to reason with a suicidal young woman.

11.00 Saturday Almost Live. Off-beat comedy series with music.

12.00 Channel 4 Racing International: The Breeders' Cup. From Hollywood Park, California.

12.30 The World Cup of Golf. The final round from the Kapalua course, Hawaii. Ends at **2.30.**

BBC1

8.55 Play School **9.15** Articles of Faith. What should we pray for?

9.30 This is the Day from the home of the Heather family in Gloucester.

10.30 Enniskillen Remembers. Live coverage of the Act of Remembrance at Enniskillen's Cenotaph and the interdenominational service that follows in St McCartans Cathedral.

12.35 Farming. An investigation into the middle-men of farming — peculiar to the Fens — who are ripping off the system to the tune of millions of pounds. **12.58** Weather.

1.00 This Week Next Week. Vivian White interviews Kenneth Baker **2.00** EastEnders (r). (Ceefax)

3.00 Match of the Day Live. Derby County v Chelsea. The commentator at the Baseball Ground is John Motson.

4.55 International Snooker. The Tennents UK Championship from the Guild Hall, Preston.

5.20 Watchdog. Consumer magazine series

5.45 Vanity Fair. Episode 12. Christmas 1822 finds Becky and Rawdon regally celebrating at Queen's Crawley while the Sedleys have frugal fare in Fulham. (Ceefax)

6.15 Working the System. Citizen action at the grassroots. (Ceefax)

6.25 News with Moira Stuart. Weather

6.40 Songs of Praise from Camborne Wesley Methodist Church, Cornwall. (Ceefax)

7.15 Ever Decreasing Circles. Martin takes up the cause of Howard and Hilda when they are denied access to a public footpath by a local farmer. (Ceefax)

7.45 Howards' Way. The penultimate episode and Jan discovers that Ken's second-half cheque has bounced. (Ceefax)

8.35 Bread. Comedy series about an adaptable Liverpool family. (Ceefax)

9.05 Fortunes of War. The final episode. (Ceefax)

10.05 News with Moira Stuart. Weather.

10.20 Everyman: The File on Fr Guadalupe. (see Choice)

11.00 International Snooker. Fifth round action in the Tennents United Kingdom Championship.

12.10 Network East (r).

12.50 Weather.

BBC2

9.00 Ceefax.

9.15 Now on Two beginning with The Charlie Brown and Snoopy Show. **9.40** Blue Peter Omnibus (r).

10.35 Rally Report. The first leg of the Lombard RAC Rally. **11.30** Allens in the Family. Episode one (r). (Ceefax)

12.00 Windmill. Film clips on the theme *Sport and Achievement* (r). **1.00** No Limits (r).

2.00 Rugby Special. Leicester v Wasps; Hawick v Kelso.

2.40 International Snooker. The Tennents UK Championship.

3.00 Film: Vera Cruz (1954) starring Burt Lancaster and Gary Cooper. Two American adventurers cross the border into Mexico during the reign of Emperor Maximillian. They are given the job of escorting a countess from Mexico City to Vera Cruz and discover that her carriage also carries a fortune in gold. Directed by Robert Aldrich.

4.30 Foley Square. American law series (r).

4.55 Music in Camera. A new production of Edith Sitwell and William Walton's *Facade*, devised and presented by Pamela Hunter, with the Nash Ensemble conducted by Jim Parker.

5.50 Review features the Bhundu Boys, sculptor David Mach and novelist Paul Auster.

6.30 The Money Programme includes a survey of the top 100 British companies.

7.15 The Travel Guide Show. The Costa del Sol.

7.50 The Great Philosophers. Frederick Copleston discusses Schopenhauer. (Cefax)

8.35 The Natural World: Paradise Reclaimed. Dan Janzen's work in Costa Rica's Guanacaste National Park.

9.25 Did You See. . ?. *My Family and Other Animals, The Duty Men* and *The London Embassy* are reviewed by Rosalind Coward, Roger Graef and Clancy Sigal.

10.05 Rally Report. News from the first leg of the Lombard RAC Rally.

10.35 Film: Elmer Gantry (1960) starring Burt Lancaster and Jean Simmons. Drama about a travelling salesman who gives up his job to become a hell-fire preaching con-man. Directed by Richard Brooks. Ends at **1.00.**

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6.00 TV-am. **7.00** Are You Awake Yet?.

8.30 David Frost on Sunday with Lord Grade and Gemma Levine.

9.25 Wake Up London **9.35** He-Man and the Masters of the Universe **10.00** No 73. For the young.

10.30 Enniskillen Remembers. Live coverage of the laying of the wreaths at Enniskillen Cenotaph, the parade to the cathedral and the service. Followed by LWT News headlines.

12.45 Weekend World. David Owen talks about his political future **1.45** Link. For the disabled **2.00** The Human Factor. The story behind the Church of England's debate on Aids and homosexuality.

2.30 Film: The Pink Panther Strikes Again (1976) starring Peter Sellers and Herbert Lom. Dreyfus escapes from the asylum in order to do away with Clouseau. Directed by Blake Edwards. **4.25** Walt Disney Presents. Cartoon

4.30 Knights of God. Children's adventure serial. (Oracle)

5.00 Bullseye.

5.30 Sunday Sunday with Sir Richard Attenborough, Hale and Pace and Michael Elphick.

6.30 News.

6.40 Appeal on behalf of ACCEPT by Pete Murray.

6.45 Highway. Sir Harry Secombe visits Guernsey.

7.15 Bruce Forsyth's Play Your Cards Right.

7.45 People Do the Funniest Things

8.15 Tales of the Unexpected: Hijack. Sixty surgeons are on a VIP flight (r). (Oracle)

8.45 News.

9.00 The Charmer. Joan and Mr Stimpson arrive in Brighton to identify Gorse's body. (Oracle)

10.00 Spitting Image.

10.30 The South Bank Show with African music and Russian theatre.

11.30 LWT News headlines followed by American Documentary. How people with disabilities cope with life.

12.30 Mary. Comedy series.

1.00 Night Network with Phil Collins in concert.

3.15 The Magic Wok. Chinese cuisine.

3.30 The Lawless Years. New York during Prohibition.

4.00 TV Censored Bloopers.

4.55 World Series Baseball '87. St Louis Cardinals v Minnesota Twins. Ends at **6.00.**

CHANNEL 4

9.25 Movie Mahal (colour and b/w). Part ten of the history of the Indian film industry.

10.00 The World This Week includes a report on the West's response to the famine in Ethiopia; the plan to remove US bases in the Philippines; the decline of America in economic and political terms; and how the crash affected France and Italy.

11.00 Pob's Programme. With Kathy Staff **11.30** Worzel Gummidge Down Under **12.00** The Waltons **1.00** Treasure Hunt in Corfu (r). **2.00** Empress Wu. Episode eight.

2.30 Film: Unconquered (1947) starring Gary Cooper and Paulette Goddard. Drama, set in 18th century New England, about the clashes between settlers and the Red Indians. Directed by Cecil B DeMille.

5.15 News summary and weather followed by The Business Programme. An examination of the collapse of Robert Holmes à Court's Bell Group; the summer holiday price war; and a discussion on whether the railways can ever make a profit.

6.00 American Football. New Orleans Saints at the San Francisco 49ers.

7.15 Man-Eating Tigers. A documentary, thought to be the first to examine what makes a tiger a man-eater. With case studies, interviews with survivors of attacks and with the park rangers who deal with the animals.

8.15 An Idea of Europe. The third of Richard Hoggart's series on the image and status of Europe in the eyes of the rest of the world. (Oracle)

8.45 Big Words. . .Small Worlds. David Lodge, in Glasgow to attend an international conference on literary criticism and linguistics, explains the current thinking about language and explores the esoteric life of academic conferences.

10.00 Film: A Walk in the Sun (1945, b/w) starring Dana Andrews and Richard Conte. Second World War drama about a platoon of US infantry with the task of capturing a German-held Salerno farmhouse. Directed by Lewis Milestone. Ends at **12.10.**

Radio 1

MW (medium wave). Stereo on VHF (see below)
News on the half-hour until **12.30 pm**, then at **2.00, 3.30, 5.30, 7.30, 9.30** and **12.00** midnight **6.00** Simon Mayo **8.00** Peter Powell **10.00** Mike Read **1.00** Adrian Juste **2.00** The Stereo Sequence incl **2.30-3.00** The Bee Gees (final programme) **4.00-5.00** The New American Chart Show **6.30-7.30** In Concert (The Mission) **7.30** Robbie Vincent **10.00-12.00** Nicky Campbell. **VHF** Stereo Radios 1 and 2: **4.00 am** As Radio 2 **1.00 pm** As Radio 1 **7.30-4.00 am** As Radio 2

Radio 2

MW (medium wave). Stereo on VHF (see Radio 1)
News on the hour until **1.00pm**, then at **3.00, 6.00, 7.00** and hourly from **10.00**
4.00 Dave Bussey **6.00** Steve Truelove **8.05** David Jacobs **9.00** Sounds of the 60s with Max Bygraves **10.00** Michael Aspel **12.00** Woody Herman — A Tribute **1.00** The News Huddlines **1.30** Sport on 2 incl Football; Racing: from Ascot, Rugby League; John Player Trophy, Snooker, Cricket, **5.00** Sports Report **6.00** Brain of Sport 1987 **6.30** Look What They've Done To My Song (with Steve Race) **7.00** The Press Gang **7.30** The Rick Wakeman Experience (recorded in Royal Festival Hall, London) **9.30** String Sound (BBC Radio Orchestra) **10.05** Martin Kelner **12.05** Night Owls with Dave Gelly **1.00** Bill Rennells present Nightride **3.00-4.00** A Little Night Music

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5.00am Newsdesk **5.30** Londres Matin **7.00** News **7.09** Twenty-four Hours **7.30** From the Weeklies **7.45** Network UK **8.00** News **8.09** Reflections **8.15** A Jolly Good Show **9.00** News **9.09** Review Of British Press **9.15** World Today **9.30** Financial News followed by Sports Roundup **9.45** Personal View **10.00** News **10.01** Here's Humph! **10.15** A Letter From America **10.30** People and Politics **11.00** News **11.09** News About Britain **11.15** A-Z of Hollywood **11.30** Londres Midi **12.00pm** Radio Newsreel **12.15** Multitrack 3 **12.45** Sports Roundup **1.00** News **1.09** Twenty-four Hours **1.30** Network UK **1.45** Good Books **2.00** News **2.01** Album Time **2.30** Sports World **3.00** Radio Newsreel **3.15** Sportsworld **4.00** News **4.09** Commentary **4.15** Sportsworld **5.00** News **5.01** Sportsworld **5.15** English By Radio **5.45** Londres Soir **6.30** Heute Aktuell **8.00** News **8.09** Twenty-four Hours **8.30** Meridian **9.00** News **9.01** Tech Talk **9.15** Music For A While **9.30** People and Politics **10.00** News **10.09** From Our Own Correspondent **10.30** New Ideas **10.40** Reflections **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** News **11.09** Commentary **11.15** Nature Notebook **11.30** Anything Goes **12.00** News **12.09** News About Britain **12.15** Radio Newsreel **12.30** John Steinbeck - American Author **1.00** News **1.01** Mics and Men **2.00** News **2.09** Review of British Press **2.15** The Man of Property **2.30** Album Time **3.00** News **3.09** News About Britain **3.15** From Our Own Correspondent **3.30** Quote, Unquote **4.00** Newsdesk **4.30** Six Four Eight **4.35** Financial News **4.45** Morgenmagazin **5.45** A Letter from America

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Radio 3

6.55 News **7.00** News

7.05 Concert: Telemann (Concerto in B flat for three oboes and strings: with Musica Antiqua, Cologne), Mozart (Die Zufried enheit, K 349: Elly Ameling, soprano, and Benny Ludemann, mandolin), Vaughan Williams (Fantasia on Thomas Tallis theme: Academy fo St Martin-in-the Fields under Marriner), Holst (*Dream Tryst*: Ye Little Birds, Op 12: CBSO Chorus), Respighi (The Birds suite: San Francisco SO under Leonard Bernstein)

8.00 World Service News

8.10 Concert (contd): Henry Cowell (Saturday Night at Firehouse: Milwaukee SO), Gershwin (Lullaby: Cleveland Orchestra under Chailly), Gottschalk (Pasquinade: Alan Marks, piano), Copland (Appalachian Spring: Los Angeles PO under Bernstein) **9.00** News

9.05 Record Review: with Paul Vaughan. Contributors include Nicholas Kenyon, David Murray and Roger Nichols

10.15 Stereo Release: Mozart (Jupiter symphony: Orchestra of the 18th Century under Bruggen)

11.00 Three Choirs Festival 1987: BBC Philharmonic under Downes. Elgar (In the South overture), Richard Rodney Bennett (Symphony No 3), Rachmaninov (Symphony No 2). Interval reading at **11.50**

1.00 News

1.05 String Quartets in Salzburg: Rosamonde Quartet perform Shostakowich's Quartet No 8, and Ravel's Quartet in F major

2.00 Panufflic Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields with William Bennett (flute) perform Hommage à Chopin, and Arbor Cosmica

3.00 Amadeus String Quartet: Mozart (Piano Quartet in G minor, K 478), Haydn (Quartet in C, Op 54 No 2), Mozart (Sinfonia Concertante in E flat, K 364, with Netherlands CO, and Brainin, violin, and Schidlof, viola), Brahms (Sextet in G, Op 36: with Pleeth, cello, and Aronowitz, viola)

5.00 Organ Music: from Royal Festival Hall. Christopher Bowers-Broadbent plays Copland's Preamble, Glass's Dance 4, Morton Feldman's Principal Sound, and Glass's Finale

5.45 Critics' Forum: topics include A Perfect Spy, on BBC2; and The Edwardian Era at the Barbican Gallery, London. In the chair: Nigel Andrews

6.35 Guitar Music: Eduardo Fernandez plays Frank Martin's Quatre pièces brèves, Giuliani's Rossiniana No 3, and Thomas Eastwood's Ballade-Phantasy

7.10 Letters from Europe: Zia Mohyeddin reads more pages from the work by Rabindranath Tagore

7.10 BBC SO under Christoph von Dohnanyi. Ives (Three Places in New England), Glass (*The Light*), Bartok (Concerto for orchestra). At **8.10**, interview with Tom Morris, new manager of the Cleveland Orchestra)

9.25 A Concert for St Cecilia: City of London Sinfonia, Richard Hickox Singers, and soloists Valerie Masterson, Michael Chance, Simon Gay, William Kendall and Stephen Varcoe. Purcell (Come Ye Sons of Art Away), Britten (Hymn to St Cecilia), Handel (Ode to St Cecilia)

11.00 Piano recital: Anthony Goldstone plays Elgar's Concert Allegro, Op 46; Beethoven's Sonata in F minor, Op 57; and works by Chopin (Nocturnes in B, Op 32 No 1; in B, Op 62 No 1; and in C sharp minor. Op posth **11.57** News

Radio 4

LW (long wave). (s) Stereo on VHF

6.00 News Briefing: Weather **6.10** Farming **6.50** Prayer **6.55** Weather

7.00 Today, incl **7.00, 8.00** News **7.25** Sport **7.30, 8.30** News **7.40, 8.47** Today's Papers **7.45** In Perspective **7.55, 8.58** Weather **8.35** Yesterday in Parliament

9.00 News bulletin

9.05 Sport on 4

9.30 Breakaway: Bernard Falk reports on holidays and travel

10.00 News: Loose Ends: hosted by Ned Sherrin

11.00 News; The Week in Westminster: Peter Riddell, Political Editor of the Financial Times, presents a personal review of the week

11.30 From Our Own Correspondent. Reports by BBC reporters on the spot

12.00 Money Box: presented by Louise Botting

12.25 The News Quiz: Barry Took chairs the topical quiz with teams led by Alan Coren and Ian Hislop (s) **12.55** Weather

1.00 News bulletin

1.10 Any Questions? Joining Jonathan Dimbleby are journalist Eamonn McCann; Dr A.T.Q.Stewart, Reader in Irish History, Queen's University, Belfast; and Peter Jay. From Northern Ireland **1.55** Shipping

2.00 News: Second Edition: Gillian Reynolds and guests discuss some of the Radio 4 magazine programmes

3.00 News; Play: The Pass by Ginnie Hole: with Arturo Venegas. Story of an architectural student who has fled from Chile(s)

4.20 Through My Window: David Steel MP enjoys the view from his home on the Scottish borders

4.30 Science Now: Presented by Peter Evans

5.00 Conversation Piece: Sue MacGregor talks to Dr John Habgood, Archbishop of York

5.25 Week Ending: A satirical view of the week's news **5.50** Shipping **5.55** Weather

6.00 News; incl Sports Round-Up

6.25 Citizens: Omnibus edition of the twice-a-week serial story(s)

7.10 Stop The Week: with Robert Robinson. Includes a song from Dillie Keane, of Fascinating Aida (s)

7.45 A Graham Green Anthology: Dramatization by Richard Whortley of The Third Man. With Ed Bishop (as Rollo Martins), Ian Hendry (as Harry Lime) and John Bentley (as Colonel Calloway). First heard in 1971

9.15 Music In Mind: Richard Baker with words and music (s)

9.50 Ten To Ten: A reading, a hymn and reflection led by Myra Blyth (s) **9.59** Weather

10.00 News bulletin

10.15 The Saturday Feature: Market Forces. Paul Heiney meets the Littlewoods family, stallholders in Coventry Market

10.45 I've Been Together Now For 70 Years: Johnny Morris presents the last programme in his radio autobiography

11.00 Up The Garden Path: Imelda Staunton stars in a dramatization of the novel by Sue Limb (3) (s)

11.30 Star Turk II: Jeffrey Holland, Christopher Godwin, Susie Blake and Fred Harris in a comedy by Terry Ravenscroft (s)

12.00 News; weather **12.33** Shipping

VHF as above except: **1.55-2.00pm** Programme News **4.30-6.00** Options: **4.30** Community Matters **5.00** España Viva **5.30** L'Italia dal vivo (Second Stage Italian)

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6.00 Simon Mayo **8.00** Peter Powell **10.00** Dave Lee Travis **1.00** Sunday Oldies With Mike Reid **3.00** Backchat (Liz Kershaw and Ro Newton) **4.00** Chartbusters (with Bruno Brookes) **5.00** Top 40 **7.00** Anne Nightingale Request Show **9.00** Andy Peebles' Soul Train **11.00-12.00** The Ranking *Miss P with culture Rock*. **VHF** Stereo Radios 1 and 2: **4.00 am** As Radio 2 **5.00 pm** As Radio 1 **12.00-4.00 am** As Radio 2

Radio 2

MW (medium wave). Stereo on VHF (see Radio 1)
News on the hour (except **8.00pm**) **4.00** Dave Bussey **6.00** Steve Truelove **7.30** Roy Castle (includes the Children In Need auction) **9.05** Melodies For You **11.00** Desmond Carrington **2.00** Benny Green **3.00** Alan Dell **4.00** Moira Anderson's Serenade **4.30** Sing Something Simple **5.00** Charlie Chester **7.00** The Random Jottings of Hinge and Bracket **7.30** Ian Wallace Presents...(with John Reed) **8.30** Sunday Half-Hour.(From Hereford Cathedral) **9.00** Your Hundred Best Tunes (with Alan Keith) **10.05** Songs From The Shows (guest singers Danny Street and Jan Hartley-Morris **10.45** Tony Harrison at the piano **11.00** Sounds of Jazz (Tony Russell) **1.00** Bill Rennells **3.00-4.00** A Little Night Music

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6.00am Newsdesk **6.30** Londres Matin **7.00** News **7.09** Twenty-four Hours **7.30** From Our Own Correspondent **7.50** Waveguide **8.00** News **8.09** Reflections **8.15** The Pleasure's Yours **9.00** News **9.09** Review Of British Press **9.15** Science in Action **9.45** On the Road **10.00** News **10.01** Story **10.15** Classical Record Review **10.30** Sunday Service **11.00** News **11.09** News About Britain **11.15** From our own Correspondent **11.30** Londres Midi **12.00pm** News **12.01** Play of the Week: Of Mice and Men **1.00** News **1.09** Twenty-four Hours **1.30** Sports Roundup **1.45** Sandi Jones Request Show **2.00** News **2.30** Quote, Unquote **3.00** Radio Newsreel **3.15** Concert Hall **4.00** News **4.09** Commentary **4.15** Tell me, Mr Smith **4.45** Letter from America **5.00** News **5.09** Reflections **5.15** English by Radio **5.45** Londres Soir **6.30** Heute Aktuel **8.00** News **8.09** Twenty-four Hours **8.30** Sunday Half Hour **9.00** News **9.01** Story **9.15** The Pleasure's Yours **10.00** News **10.09** The Man of Property **10.25** Book Choice **10.30** Financial Review **10.40** Reflections **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** News **11.09** Commentary **11.15** Letter from America **11.30** Film of the Book **12.00** News **12.09** News About Britain **12.15** Radio Newsreel **12.30** Religious Service **1.00** News **1.01** In the Psychiatrist's Chair **1.45** Organists of Paris **2.00** News **2.09** Review of the British Press **2.15** Peebles' Choice **2.30** Science in Action **3.00** News **3.09** News About Britain **3.15** Good Books **3.30** Anything Goes **4.00** Newsdesk **4.30** Six Four Eight **4.35** Financial News **4.45** Morgenmagazin **5.45** Recording of the Week

Radio 3

6.55 Weather **7.00** News

7.05 English Pastorals: recordings including George Dyson's overture At the Tabard Inn (RPO), Vaughan Williams's The lark ascending (LPO, with Jean Pougnet, violin), Ireland's Amberley Wild Brooks (Eric Parkin, piano) and Elgar's Woodland Interlude, Caractacus (Bournemouth Sinfonietta)

8.00 World Service News

8.10 Piano recital: Lili Kraus plays Mozart's Sonata in F, K 376 (with Brainin, violin), and Piano Concerto No 20 (with Vienna Festival Orchestra) **9.00** News

9.05 Your Concert Choice: Palestrina (the motet Exsultate Deo; Hymn; Tua Jesu dilectio: Choir of St John's College, Cambridge), Beethoven (Sonata in A, Op 69: Rostropovich and Richter), Khachaturian's second symphony (Vienna PO)

10.30 Music Weekly: with Michael Oliver. Includes David Fallows on Fiction and Crucifixion — Dufay and the 19th Century

11.15 The Kalichstein/Laredo/Robinson Trio perform Haydn's Trio in C, H XV27: and the Brahms Trio in B, Op 8

12.15 Words:a talk by Lord Rawlinson

12.20 Bayreuth Festival 1987: Wagner's three-act opera Tristan und Isolde. Daniel Barenboim conducts the Bayreuth Festival Chorus and Orchestra. Principals include Peter Hofmann (Tristan), Catarina Ligendsa (Isolde), Matti Salminen, Bodo Brinkmann, and Hanna Schwarz. Act two begins at **1.40**, and Act 3 at **3.05.**

4.20 Arnold Cooke Quartets: Cagliano String Trio, with Sebastian Bell (flute), Anthony Goldstone (piano), perform the 1936 Flute Quartet, and the Piano Quartet

5.15 Interpretations on Record: various versions of Stravinsky's Petrushka (r)

6.15 Cecilia of Sicilia: Edward de Souza reads the story by Graeme Fife

6.25 A Song for St Cecilia's Day: From Harmony, from Heavenly Harmony: text by John Dryden, music by Draghi. Parley of Instruments Baroque Orchestra and Playford Consort. with soloists Bonner, Tubb, Bowman, Wilson, Covey-Crump, Varcoe and Wistreich

7.15 BBC Welsh SO at the Concertgebouw, Amsterdam: conductor Neville Marriner. With BBC Welsh Chorus, soloists Gale, Walker, Tear and Shirley-Quirk, and Isabelle van Keulen (violin). Part one. Mozart (Marriage of Figaro overture). Mendelssohn (Violin Concerto in E minor)

7.50 For Friends Only: verse read by Rosalind Shanks, Peter Howell

8.10 Concert (part two): Mozart (Beyer's edited version of the Requiem Mass in D minor, K 626

9.10 Surviving Sinfonias by Bach: from Cantata No 42 (Vienna Concentus Musicus) and from Cantata No 174 (New Bach Collegium Musicum, Leipzig)

9.30 The 1987 Reith Lectures: The Survival of the Symphony (1) The Old Warhorse. Given by Alexander Goehr (r)

10.00 Private Practice and Public Activity: Haydn (Symphony No 102: ECO; and Piano Trio in F sharp minor, H XV 26: Beaux Arts Trio). Schoenberg (Five Orchestra Pieces, Op 16: Nomura/Keuschnig Piano Duo; and Five Orchestral Pieces. Op 16: Berlin PO)

11.20 A Most Delightful Art: secular music of Renaissance Italy by Nasco and Ruffo. With the Hilliard Ensemble

11.57 News **12.00** Closedown

Radio 4

LW (long wave). (s) Stereo on VHF

5.55 Shipping **6.00** News Briefing: weather **6.10** Prelude **6.30** News; Morning Has Broken (s)

7.00 News **7.10** Sunday Papers **7.15** On Your Farm **7.40** Sunday. Clive Jacobs and Libby Purves with religious news and views

8.00 News **8.10** Sunday papers **8.50** The Princess Royal, C-in-C of the St John Ambulance Brigade talks about its work with a brigade cadet **8.55** Weather

9.00 News **9.10** Sunday Papers **9.15** Letter From America **9.30** Morning Service from the Church of St Nicholas, Arundel, Sussex

10.15 The Archers

11.15 News Stand with Francis Wheen

11.30 Pick of the Week: selections from the past week's television and radio (s)

12.15 Desert Island Discs: Michael Parkinson's guest is Barry Cryer (s) **12.55** Weather

1.00 The World This Weekend

2.00 Gardeners' Question Time: answers to questions sent in by post

2.30 A Graham Greene Anthology: Our Man In Havana. Dramatized in three parts by Gregory Evans (2)

3.30 The Radio Programme: presented by Laurie Taylor

4.00 News; While The Instruments Played: how St Cecilia became the patron saint of music

4.47 The Butterfly Collectors: Martin Wainwright considers the achievements of some eminent entomologists. (2) Alfred Russel Wallace and Henry Walter Bates

5.00 News; Down Your Way: TV chef Keith Floyd enjoys Bridbport and West Bay in Dorset **5.50** Shipping

6.00 News bulletin

6.15 At Least It's Live: Susan Marling meets some of the people who continue to perform in the theatre, although they've found neither fame nor fortune. (2) The Brown Paper Bag Brothers

6.30 International Assignment: BBC correspondents report

7.00 News; Soundings: The Medium and the Message. Trevor Barnes explores the world of the clairvoyant, and meets Doris Collins (s)

7.30 Castles in Spain: A serial in five parts by Edward Boyd, starring Ray Brooks (5) (s)

8.00 Bookshelf: with Nigel Forde

8.30 A Word in Edgeways: Brian Redhead considers reasons for taking risks with Prof Norman Dixon, Dr John Rae and Rosemary Anne Sisson

9.00 News: An Englishman's House: Margaret Howard visits people who live in unusual homes. This week: interior designer Nicholas Haslam (s)

9.15 The Natural History Programme: presented by Fergus Keeling. **10.00** News

10.15 Monty — Portrait of a Soldier: Frank Gillard presents a portrait of Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery of Alamein (2)

11.00 The Root of the Matter: Chris Stuart goes into the villages, towns and cities of Britain

11.30 Seeds of Faith: Christianity and women (s)

12.00 News; Weather

VHF as above except **7.00-7.40 am** Open University **7.00** Arts Review: Why Voltaire? **7.20** Into the Open: Getting Started **1.55-2.00** Programme News **4.00-6.00** Options **4.00**

Ridley's Bill set to revive housing in rented sector

By Sheila Gunn, Political Staff

Mr Nicholas Ridley, the Secretary of State for the Environment, yesterday unveiled his *Housing Bill which is aimed* at dismantling local authorities' housing empires.

He said the reforms will revive the private rented market and make it easier for tenants to move around the country. It will also release on to the rented market, he argued, more than 550,000 empty homes.

The most contentious issue is giving council tenants the right to opt out of local authority control and transfer to management by a housing association, co-operative or trust.

The Bill, promised in the *Conservatives' election manifesto*, removes some of the statutory controls on rented accommodation but also introduces a new offence of harassment.

Mr Clive Soley, Labour's housing spokesman, said: "This Bill will do nothing to resolve the housing crisis. It will not revive the rented sector, either public or private."

Although Mr Ridley said housing benefit will continue for those on low incomes, Mr Soley said he doubted if such tenants will be able to afford the higher rents which are *likely to be demanded.*

Landlords, he said, will have to have very high rents to ensure a better return than they would get by selling their properties and putting the *money in a bank.*

He also argued that surveys indicated that most council tenants were satisfied with their landlords, while many private tenants were not.

Mr Ridley said: "Our proposals will revitalize the private rented sector. For too long the market has been choked by too many controls."

He praised the housing association movement, which he hopes will take over many of the council house estates.

"This Bill would allow us to build on their expertise by *encouraging them to develop* further partnerships with banks and building societies."

Housing action trusts will also be set up to take over some of the worst council estates.

Mr John Daly, general secretary of the National and *Local Government* Officers' Association (Nalgo), described it as "a good Bill for landlords and a bad Bill for tenants".

"This Bill is no substitute *for a coherent housing policy.* It seems unlikely that council tenants will want to join private sector tenants in having their rents increased and their rights reduced through the 'pick a landlord' scheme."

A rare exchange in the animal world



Lord and Lady Fisher with Dr Jorge Adler (right) and the two falabella miniature horses at Kilverstone Hall yesterday (Photograph: Graham Wood).

Two Falabella miniature horses are being exchanged for two hooded spider monkeys from Leipzig, East Germany, as part of the first direct exchange between zoos in Britain and a communist country.

The Argentinian horses, Rialto, a rare spotted Falabella, aged two, and Claudia, a pale chestnut, aged seven months, have been reared by Kilverstone Zoo, at Thetford, Norfolk.

The female spider monkeys, called Cuca and Pipa, arrived at Kilverstone yesterday and will stay at the zoo's quarantine area for six months before being introduced to a male called Smokey Joe.

The zoo, the only one in the world specializing in central and southern American animals, keeps eight species of spider monkey. Cuca and Pipa will join Smokey Joe on a lake island in a specially constructed building.

The monkeys, aged about 10, arrived at Leipzig Zoo from the United States and spent several years without a male. Lord and Lady Fisher, the owners of Kilverstone, saw them 12 months ago and decided to arrange an exchange.

Lady Fisher said: "They looked so unhappy that we thought it would be a good idea to arrange a marriage with Smokey Joe."

Dr Jorge Adler, assistant director of Leipzig Zoo, who flew in with the monkeys, said: "Spider monkeys are an endangered species and we hope this exchange will help them to flourish. I have looked at Cuca and Pipa in quarantine through the glass and I think they are going to have a happy marriage.

"It is excellent that zoos in the west and east can exchange rare animals for the good of the species and I hope this will develop in the future."

The horses will be shipped to Rostock, East Germany, before going on to Leipzig.

Queen's quiet ruby weekend

By Alan Hamilton

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh celebrated their fortieth wedding anniversary yesterday by *retiring* to a country house for dinner and a quiet, private weekend away from their family.

As has been traditional on most of their wedding anniversaries since 1952, the Queen and the Duke were guests at Luton Hoo, the stately Adam house in 1,200 acres of park*land in the shadow of Luton* Airport. It was formerly the home of their friends, the late Sir Harold and Lady Zia Wernher.

Sir Harold was a millionaire businessman and racehorse owner whose father, Sir Julius Wernher, had made his fortune in the South African *diamond trade.* Lady Zia, whose real name was Anastasia, was a niece of Nicholas II, the last Tsar of Russia, and a vociferous protester when plans were afoot in the 1960s for the expansion of the airport.

The Queen and the Duke were guests of Mr Nicholas *Phillips*, Sir Harold's grandson and a godson of the Duke of Edinburgh.

The Duke arrived at Luton early yesterday afternoon to open a business park being developed by Mr Phillips in the grounds of his home. He has named the park, which he hopes will attract 4,000 new jobs to the area, Capability Green, in honour of the landscape gardener of a dif*ferent shade* who laid out the the grounds.

The Queen, who spent the morning receiving in audience the new British ambassadors to Cairo and to Tunis, travelled to Luton later in the day.

She was due to have spent the morning saying farewell to the Italian president at the end of his state visit, but domestic problems in Rome caused President Cossiga to stay.

Last night the couple enjoyed dinner amid the remains of the Wernhers' huge *oriental art collection, much* of which has already been given to the nation. Today the Duke will take part in a shoot while the Queen visits a horse fair in the Hoo grounds. No public engagements are planned until the Royal Variety Performance on Monday night.

Buckingham Palace was unable to say yesterday whether the Duke had given his wife *the traditional 40th wedding* anniversary gift. The royal jewels are, of course, already replete with rubies.

Kidnap girl is freed in raid on flat

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jogging lose a wallet. She called out to him, but he was already out of earshot. She turned it over to a local *Roman Catholic priest for* eventual return to its owner. However, an examination of its contents showed that they included what was obviously a note from kidnappers, intended for Melodie's father, Mr Raymond Nakachian.

That same day, kidnappers — possibly afraid that they might be discovered soon — more than halved their ransom demand and, informed sources *said here*, set yesterday as the new deadline for payment.

*Police arrested two French*men and a Spaniard, Señor Angel García Menéndez in the *raid. Police did not* immediately identify the Frenchmen, one of whom was in serious condition in a Málaga hospital yesterday with a bullet wound in his throat.

Two other Spaniards, identified only as José Luis,

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aged 19, and Carmen "D", aged 22, of Seville, were arrested in Málaga, suspected of playing a part in relaying the kidnappers' messages. Police continued the search yesterday afternoon for two *other members of the gang at* San Pedro, near the Nakachians' home.

Later Mr Nakachian said his daughter's first words as he clutched her in his arms were: "I'm fine, Papa. Don't cry." Under the name of Raymond Nash, Mr Nakachian was an associate of Mr Peter Rachman in shady real estate dealings before being expelled *from Britain in 1966.*

The Director-General of Police, Señor José Maria Rodríguez Colorado, said: "We knew their location two days ago, although we were not certain exactly which apartment they were in." The plot, he claimed, was hatched in a French prison

BA's offer for B-Cal

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over B-Cal, pending the out*come of the review.*

British Airways immediately refused. But the move could now open up the possibility of complex legal action and further muddy what are already *far from clear waters.*

British Airways, meanwhile, believes that the offer it has now made should prove irresistible, at least to the majority of B-Cal shareholders.

BA has virtually reproduced the original offer, with the same number of British Airways shares in return for the existing B-Cal shares. But *because of the fall in the stock* market it translates to a smaller equivalent value.

At the same time BA has given a minimum price of £119 million, below which the value of the company will not fall, regardless of what happens to share prices, by making available a cash alternative of £5.75p a share.

Now the B-Cal board will have to decide whether share prices are going to rise again or whether they will fall still further, possibly dropping be*low the level at which the* £119 million price becomes an attractive alternative.

In the first two hours after yesterday's announcement of the new offer British Airways shares had risen by 2p to 138p.

Recall for Rover cars

Austin Rover's attempt to break back into the American car market may be hampered by problems with the ignition of its Rover 800.

More than 13,000 of the cars have been sold in the United States since the company began its effort there in February last year. Now they will all have to be recalled for the ignition to be replaced.

In all 40,000 Rover 800s are having to be recalled worldwide, including 18,000 in Britain.

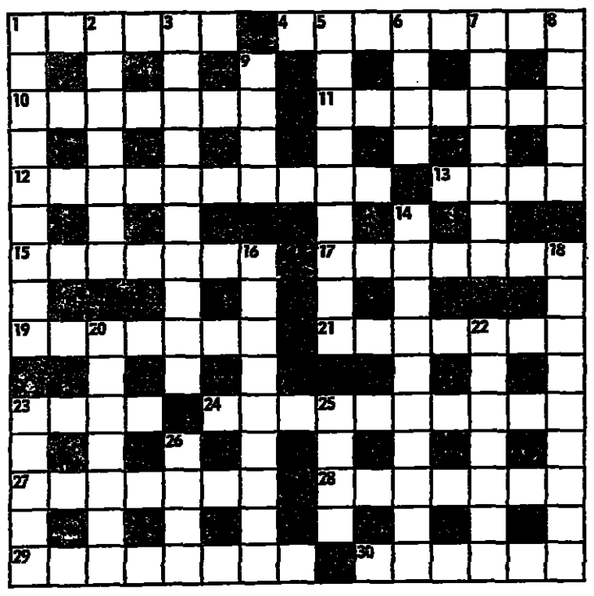
A few drivers, said by the company last night to be "no more than five or six in the UK" reported that their lights failed suddenly, their windscreen wipers stopped working or their engine stalled and would not re-start. The problem was traced to a defective part in the ignition switch.

Austin Rover said: "As a responsible manufacturer we immediately decided that we would recall the cars and replace the part as a precautionary measure".

The Rover 800 was beginning to make an impact on the American market and company chiefs are hoping that the fierce consumer lobby in America will not make capital out of what they describe as a very minor problem.

Rover owners will not be charged for the replacement.

THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE No 17,520



ACROSS

1 Collided with second vehicle (6).
4 Record pile, perhaps, for the following person (8).
10 Title role — don't mention it to other actors (7).
11 Spanish article is put back here in Spain (7).
12 Divorce? One may put an end to close match (3-7).
13 Cause irritation in brawl (4).
15 Well-connected group in the fishing industry? (7).
17 Dismiss number of people assembled (7).
19 Rotund characters in all directions — many passed out (7).
21 Main events (7).
23 Obligation avoided by some who take flight (4).
24 Fruit, my darling? (10).
27 After examination, allowed back to port on Med (3,4).
28 Threatening nothing less, being out of love (7).
29 Nothing short of hero worship for this official (8).
30 Boy fell back (6).

DOWN

1 Aces turned up daily, at first, in these intervals (9).
2 Most affluent state seen on the box (7).
3 Overall success for show-jumper (5,5).
5 In Priestley play he calls for one, script revision (9).
6 It's a coastal feature, old chap (4).
7 Capital becoming a problem — disheartened? (7).
8 Rival soldiers in the old rising (5).
9 She's beside herself in the great heat he adores (4).
14 Be found around new training ship (10).
16 Child, note, really likes gentle handlers (3,6).
18 Crosses lines — putting train, first, in shed (9).
20 Perform better, but not in dramatic scenes (7).
22 This imaginary animal went to man's head (7).
23 Fact US lawyer needed to stomach (5).
25 May, for example, be listlessly idle (4).
26 Surplus further increased by extra, perhaps (4).

Solution to Puzzle No 17,519



Solution to Puzzle No 17,514



WORD-WATCHING

A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct?

By Philip Howard

LAMIA
a. A thin plate
b. A letter of the Greek alphabet
c. A monster

ERIC
a. A fine
b. A family of heath
c. A kind of silkworm

STRATEPHRENIA
a. Hardening of the liver
b. The science of military fortification
c. Dislike of soldiering

OO
a. An ejaculation of pleasure
b. Red Armenian Caviare
c. A bird

AWU
a. A bird
b. An ejaculation of grief
c. A weight

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A prize of The Times Concise Atlas of the World *will be given for the first five correct solutions opened next Thursday. Entries should be addressed to: The Times, Saturday Crossword Competition, PO Box 486, Virginia Street, London E1 9DD. The winners and solution will be published next Saturday.*

The winners of last Saturday's competition are: W Townsend, The Cottage, Abbots Ann, Andover; M Gittins, 60 Sandown Road, West Malling, Kent; M Collie, Morkeu, Cults, Aberdeen; Chloe Seifern, Kardamy Li, Messenias, Greece; M Burley, 25 Bendemeer Road, Putney.

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WEATHER

A cool west to north-westerly airstream is covering the country. After a frosty start in places it will be a mostly dry day for England and Wales. More cloud than yesterday but still one or two bright spells and perhaps the odd shower along the east coast. Scotland and Northern Ireland will be mainly cloudy with some light rain. It will feel cool. Outlook for tomorrow and Monday: Showery weather in the north will spread south, becoming even colder.

ABROAD

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow; t, thunder.

	C	F		C	F
Alex'dria	c	17	63	Malta	s	18	64
Algiers	s	21	70	Melb'rne	c	19	66
Amst'dm	f	10	50	Mexico C*	f	16	61
Athens	s	16	61	Miami*	f	28	82
Bahrin	s	25	77	Milan	s	15	59
Barcelo	f	16	61	Montreal*	f	7	45
Belgrade	r	8	46	Moscow	sn	-7	19
Berlin	c	7	45	Munich	c	5	41
Bermuda*	f	25	77	Nairobi	f	27	81
Biarrit	c	12	54	N Delhi	s	24	75
Brussels	f	9	48	N York*	s	12	54
Budapst	c	9	48	Oslo	c	2	36
B Aires*	s	24	75	Paris	c	8	46
Cairo	f	22	72	Peking	s	17	63
Cape Tn	s	19	66	Perth	c	21	70
Casanca	s	23	73	Prague	f	6	43
Chicago*	c	5	41	Reykjvik	r	6	43
Ch'church	s	13	55	Rhodes	f	16	61
Cologne	r	8	46	Rio de J	s	24	75
C'phgn	c	8	46	Riyadh	s	27	81
Corfu	f	15	59	Rome	c	17	63
Dublin	c	6	46	Salzburg	c	6	43
Dubrovnik	r	11	52	S F'isco*	s	16	61
Faro	s	19	66	Santiago*	s	29	84
Florence	th	10	50	S Paulo*	s	27	81
Frankfurt	f	7	45	Seoul	s	12	54
Funchal	s	20	68	Sing'por	f	29	84
Geneva	c	7	45	St'kholm	c	3	37
Gibraltar	s	18	64	Strasb'rg	f	8	46
Helsinki	r	1	34	Sydney	f	23	73
Hong K	c	21	70	Tangier	s	21	70
Innsbrck	r	4	39	Tel aviv	f	21	70
Istanbul	f	8	46	Tenerife	s	23	73
Jeddah	s	33	91	Tokyo	s	12	54
Jo'burg*	c	25	77	Toronto*	f	7	45
L Palmas	s	23	73	Tunis	c	19	66
Le Touet	f	10	50	Valencia	s	22	72
Lisbon	s	15	59	Vanc'ver*	f	9	48
Locarno	f	14	57	Venice	d	6	43
L Angels*	s	22	72	Vienna	c	9	48
Luxembg	c	4	39	Warsaw	r	5	41
Madrid	s	15	59	Wash'ton*	f	12	54
Majorca	s	18	64	Wel'ton	f	12	54
Malaga	s	19	66	Zurich	f	7	45

* denotes Thursday's figures are latest available

AROUND BRITAIN

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Scarboro	6.6	-	10	50	sunny
Bridlington	6.5	-	11	52	sunny
Crosser	6.3	-	9	48	sunny
Lowestoft	5.7	.11	10	50	sunny
Clacton	3.6	.02	10	50	sunny
Margate	-	.01	10	50	bright
Folkestone	1.2	.05	11	52	cloudy
Hastings	0.3	-	10	50	cloudy
Eastbourne	0.2	.07	10	50	cloudy
Brighton	0.8	-	9	48	cloudy
Worthing	1.2	.04	11	52	cloudy
Littlehmptn	1.7	-	11	52	cloudy
Bognor R	3.3	-	11	52	cloudy
Southsea	4.7	-	11	52	bright
Shanklin	5.1	.01	11	52	sunny
Bournemth	4.9	-	11	52	bright
Poole	4.5	-	11	52	bright
Swanage	1.7	-	11	52	bright
Weymouth	2.6	.01	11	52	sunny
Exmouth	1.0	-	10	50	cloudy
Torquay	0.9	-	11	52	cloudy
Falmouth	-	-	10	50	dull
Scilly Isles	-	-	10	50	dull
Guernsey	0.6	-	11	52	cloudy
Newquay	-	-	7	50	cloudy
Ilfracombe	-	.01	12	54	dull
Minehead	-	.01	11	52	cloudy
B'pool Airpt	4.5	-	11	52	cloudy
Morecambe	4.8	.07	10	50	bright
Douglas	*	-	6	43	cloudy
B'ham Airpt	1.8	-	10	50	bright
Bristol (Ctri)	3.7	-	11	52	bright
Carlisle	5.7	.02	11	52	sunny
London	0.77	-	6	52	cloudy
Manchester	3.8	.02	10	50	bright
N'cstl-n-Tyne	6.6	-	11	52	sunny
Nottingham	5.2	.01	11	52	sunny
Anglesey	0.1	-	10	50	bright
Cardiff (Ctri)	2.9	-	11	52	bright
Tenby	-	-	10	50	dull
Aviemore	2.9	.12	4	46	cloudy
Eskdalemuir	6.6	.08	7	48	sunny
Glasgow	2.2	.07	7	52	cloudy
Lerwick	-	.24	5	45	shower
Prestwick	3.4	.07	5	52	bright
Tiree	3.7	.05	6	50	cloudy
Wick	5.0	.14	6	46	sunny
Belfast	1.7	.02	9	48	shower

* Denotes figures not available

HIGH TIDES

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT	TOMORROW	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	1.19	6.9	1.33	6.9	London Bridge	1.58	7.0	2.13	7.1
Aberdeen	12.36	4.2	1.04	4.2	Aberdeen	1.17	4.3	1.41	4.3
Avonmouth	6.49	12.8	7.07	13.0	Avonmouth	7.31	13.0	7.51	13.0
Belfast	10.31	3.4	10.49	3.5	Belfast	11.09	3.5	11.32	3.5
Cardiff	6.34	11.8	6.52	11.9	Cardiff	7.16	12.0	7.36	12.0
Devonport	5.21	5.5	5.39	5.5	Devonport	6.04	5.5	6.25	5.4
Dover	10.28	6.6	10.54	6.6	Dover	11.08	6.6	11.36	6.6
Falmouth	4.51	5.3	5.09	5.3	Falmouth	5.34	5.3	5.55	5.2
Glasgow	—	—	12.31	4.6	Glasgow	12.41	4.8	1.08	4.7
Harwich	11.30	4.0	11.55	4.0	Harwich	—	—	12.12	4.1
Holyhead	9.52	5.5	10.09	5.6	Holyhead	10.30	5.6	10.49	5.6
Hull	5.49	7.2	6.12	7.2	Hull	6.31	7.2	6.50	7.2
Ilfracombe	5.32	9.0	5.48	9.1	Ilfracombe	6.10	9.2	6.29	9.2
Leith	1.56	5.4	2.22	5.5	Leith	2.36	5.6	3.01	5.5
Liverpool	10.49	9.3	11.08	9.3	Liverpool	11.29	9.4	11.49	9.4
Lowestoft	8.56	2.5	9.28	2.5	Lowestoft	9.39	2.5	10.09	2.5
Margate	11.27	4.8	11.58	4.8	Margate	—	—	12.07	4.9
Milford Haven	5.47	6.9	6.05	7.0	Milford Haven	6.27	7.1	6.46	7.0
Newquay	4.38	6.9	4.56	7.0	Newquay	5.17	7.0	5.36	7.0
Oban	5.23	4.0	5.28	4.1	Oban	5.57	4.1	6.08	4.1
Penzance	4.19	5.6	4.35	5.6	Penzance	4.59	5.6	5.22	5.5
Portland	6.42	2.3	6.57	2.3	Portland	7.22	2.3	7.44	2.3
Portsmouth	11.00	4.6	11.23	4.6	Portsmouth	11.47	4.6	—	—
Shoreham	10.41	6.2	11.04	6.1	Shoreham	11.22	6.2	11.49	6.1
Southampton	10.34	4.6	10.55	4.4	Southampton	11.09	4.6	11.35	4.5
Swansea	5.51	9.5	6.10	9.5	Swansea	6.31	9.7	6.52	9.6
Tees	3.03	5.4	3.27	5.5	Tees	3.45	5.4	4.04	5.5
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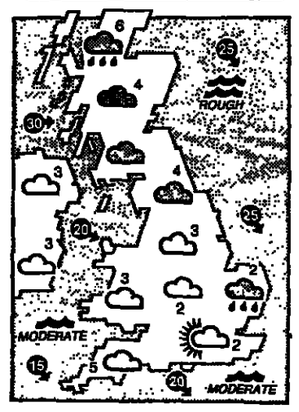
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TODAY	Sun rises:	Sun sets:	TOMORROW	Sun rises:	Sun sets:
	7.28 am	4.05 pm		7.29 am	4.03 pm
	Moon rises: 8.05 am	Moon sets: 3.36 pm		Moon rises: 9.31 am	Moon sets: 4.16 pm

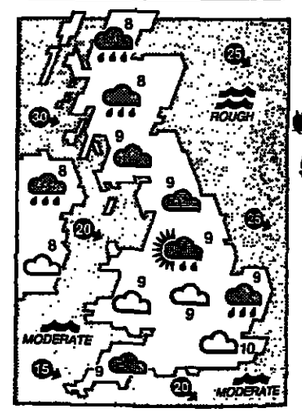
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AM



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LIGHTING-UP TIME

TODAY
London 4.35 pm to 6.59 am
Bristol 4.44 pm to 7.09 am
Edinburgh 4.27 pm to 7.32 am
Manchester 4.34 pm to 7.16 am
Penzance 5.01 pm to 7.16 am

TOMORROW
London 4.33 pm to 7.01 am
Bristol 4.43 pm to 7.11 am
Edinburgh 4.25 pm to 7.34 am
Manchester 4.33 pm to 7.18 am
Penzance 5.00 pm to 7.17 am

LONDON

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 11C (52F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 6C (43F). Humidity: 6 pm, 70 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, nil. Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 0.7 hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1023.9 millibars, steady.
1,000 millibars=29.53in.

MANCHESTER

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 10C (50F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 6C (43F). Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0.02in. Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 3.8 hr.

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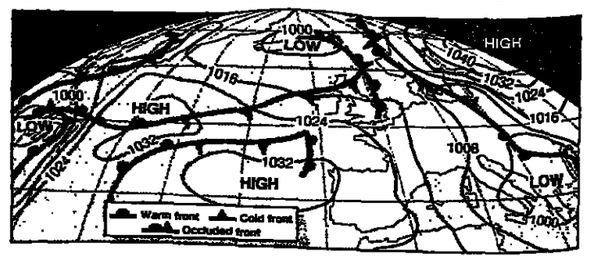
Thursday: Highest day temp: Minehead, Somerset, 14C (57F); lowest day max: Aviemore, Highland, 6C (43F); highest rainfall: Milford Haven, Brawdy and Aberporth, Dyfed, 1.29in; highest sunshine: Aberdeen, 5.1 hr.

YESTERDAY

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

	C	F		C	F
Belfast	c	8	46	Guernsey	c	9	48
B'mngham	c	10	50	Inverness	r	9	48
Blackpool	f	11	52	Jersey	c	10	50
Bristol	f	10	50	London	f	11	52
Cardiff	c	11	52	M'nchster	s	10	50
Edinburgh	s	10	50	Newcastle	s	10	50
Glasgow	f	10	50	R'nldsway	f	10	50

NOON TODAY



Information supplied by London Weather Centre

THE POUND

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells		Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.635	2.515	Italy Lire	2275	2165
Austria Sch	21.80	20.70	Japan Yen	251	239
Belgium Fr	65.20	62.00	Netherlands Gld	3.49	3.33
Canada $	2.435	2.315	Norway Kr	11.90	11.25
Denmark Kr	11.94	11.34	Portugal Esc	252	238
Finland Mkk	7.62	7.22	South Africa Rd	4.40	3.79
France Fr	10.48	9.98	Spain Pta	208.50	197.50
Germany Dm	3.10	2.94	Sweden Kr	11.24	10.69
Greece Dr	285	265	Switzerland Fr	2.53	2.41
Hong Kong $	14.30	13.50	USA $	1.865	1.775
Ireland Pt	1.166	1.108	Yugoslavia Dnr	3500	2800

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques.

Retail Price Index: 102.9 (October) London: The *FT* index closed down 4.2 at 1285.7.

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STOCK MARKET

FT 30 Share
1285.7 (–4.2)

FT-SE 100
1633.4 (–5.7)

Bargains
28924 (22180)

USM (Datastream)
131.79 (–3.44)

THE POUND

US dollar
1.7795 (+0.0005)

W German mark
2.9887 (+0.0018)

Trade-weighted
75.7 (+0.4)

BZW's £50m dealing loss

Stock market crash sends firm into red

By Richard Thomson, Banking Correspondent

Barclays de Zoete Wedd, the securities and merchant banking arm of Barclays Bank, yesterday revealed a staggering loss of nearly £50 million on share-dealing over the last month since the stock market collapse.

BZW is the only British market-maker to have announced losses since share prices began to fall, but several others are believed to have suffered as heavily.

BZW announced pretax losses of £18 million for the first 10½ months of this year — the period ending November 18 — but the actual amount lost on market-making was well over double that figure, after taking into account BZW's £25 million interim pretax profit announced in July.

BZW has been among the most aggressive market-makers in London since Big Bang, with a 15 per cent share of British equity market-making and capital backing of more than £250 million.

Lord Camoys, the vice-chairman, said the losses were entirely due to the stock market fall. "We consider what has happened to be completely exceptional," he added. "We decided to announce the result to remove uncertainty and let people know where we are."

But he said it was unlikely to change BZW's strategy substantially. Because of the exceptional nature of the loss, BZW is not planning to cut its staff to save costs, unlike several US securities houses which have recently announced significant losses.

The loss was concentrated in British equities. BZW was holding large bull positions in a wide range of stocks when the crash happened, and experienced serious problems in adjusting its book. It is believed to have suffered particularly heavily in "second-line" stocks — less marketable shares which became almost untradeable when liquidity dried up after the stock market fall on Black Monday, October 19.

BZW's risk control division also appears to have failed to cover the bank's more exposed positions.

The gilt-edged market-making operation continues to perform profitably in line with the bullish performance of the gilt market.

Lord Camoys insisted that BZW had not withdrawn from the equity market during the fall in share prices. "We took the line that we should be as responsible as possible — we did not want to desert the market or our clientele," he said.

The loss is certain to lead to a period of soul-searching. "We don't want to jump to conclusions, but we are looking at what clues we did not spot in failing to anticipate the bear market," said Lord Camoys. "It could mean we will take smaller positions in future, but not necessarily."

Mr John Quinton, chairman of Barclays, said the loss did not affect the clearing bank's commitment to BZW. Barclays continued to have confidence in its long-term strategy in the securities industry, he added.

Sedgwick suffering soft rates

Sedgwick Group, the insurance broker, is still suffering from soft rates in its markets, and yesterday reported lower nine months' profit figures. Although revenue rose from £475.5 million to £507.9 million, pretax profit for the nine months ended September fell from £113.2 million to £93.2 million.

At the net level, earnings are down from 18.7p to 14.4p a share, and yesterday its shares fell from 187p to 179p before moving up to 182p.

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Strong Bond

The credit rating of Mr Alan Bond's Bond Corporation Holdings will remain unchanged at BBplus, the Australian Ratings company said yesterday, because the group has not been markedly affected by the recent fall in stock markets. The agency added that the strength of the Bond group's cash flows continues.

£160m moves

Mountleigh property group is buying the Spanish department store chain Galerias Preciados for £153.3 million having revised the terms following the stock market crash. The group is also paying £7.4 million for a group of property companies called Coroco in the Netherlands.

Lookers deal

Lookers, the Manchester garage chain is paying £8.83 million for Martins Group, a private motor distributor in the north-east of England.

Dollar survives deficit blues with small loss

By Rodney Lord, Economics Editor

Foreign exchange markets had another nervous day in London yesterday, waiting for firm news on the US budget deficit negotiations.

The dollar weakened as hopes for a deal waned but picked up on a statement by Mr Jim Wright, the House Speaker, that a deal had probably been achieved. By the close it was just 5 points better at DM1.6795 and 30 points higher at Y135.45.

The increase in US consumer prices announced yesterday had a small adverse effect on the dollar. The index rose by 0.4 per cent last month compared with a 0.2 per cent increase in September.

Markets were increasingly concerned that the failure to reach agreement on the US budget deficit before the 11th hour indicated that resolve was running out to cut it by anything more than the $23 billion provided for under Gramm-Rudman.

Mr Geoffrey Dennis of James Capel, the broker, said: "The remarkable thing is that the dollar is holding up as well as it is against the present background. I think if we get a deal on a cut approaching $30 billion the market will be massively relieved."

Sterling was sidelined but finished the day firmer again, up 29 points at DM2.9934 and 5 points higher at $1.7795, putting the effective exchange rate index up 0.3 to 75.7.

The London stock market also had its eyes fixed on the US budget talks. It recovered towards the close after initial weakness as optimism about a deal strengthened. The FT-SE 100 index closed down 5.7 at 1,633.4 after falling 33.2 points at one stage. Gilts gained ⅛-⅜ per cent as the pound firmed.

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US BUDGET TALKS CONCLUDED

Summit ends in anticlimax

From Bailey Morris, Washington

The unprecedented US budget deficit negotiations, begun in crisis after the stock market crash on Black Monday, ended inconclusively yesterday.

President Reagan signed an order putting into motion $23 billion (£13 billion) in across-the-board, automatic spending cuts, while budget negotiators worked on a $30 billion compromise agreement that would supersede the automatic deficit cuts two weeks from now.

In early December, less than 10 legislative days after the automatic cuts, negotiators say they expect Congress to pass a two-year compromise agreement that would reduce the deficit by $75 billion.

But despite these concrete developments, the summit failed to achieve its broad aim of restoring confidence in US economic leadership. After four weeks of often bitter talks, White House and Congressional negotiators were unable to transcend partisan politics to resolve the most pressing budget issues, which have transformed the US from the world's largest surplus nation to the world's largest debtor.

Wall Street analysts said at the start of the negotiations that the two sides would have to produce a bipartisan agreement to take three politically difficult steps to convince the world that Washington was serious about deficit reduction.

The agreement must show that Congress and the White House were ready to contain the growth of military spending; it must reduce spending for the big federal benefit programmes — the entitlement programmes that benefit the middle class; and it must produce new revenues in the form of taxes from everyone but the poorest Americans. This was the Wall Street prescription.

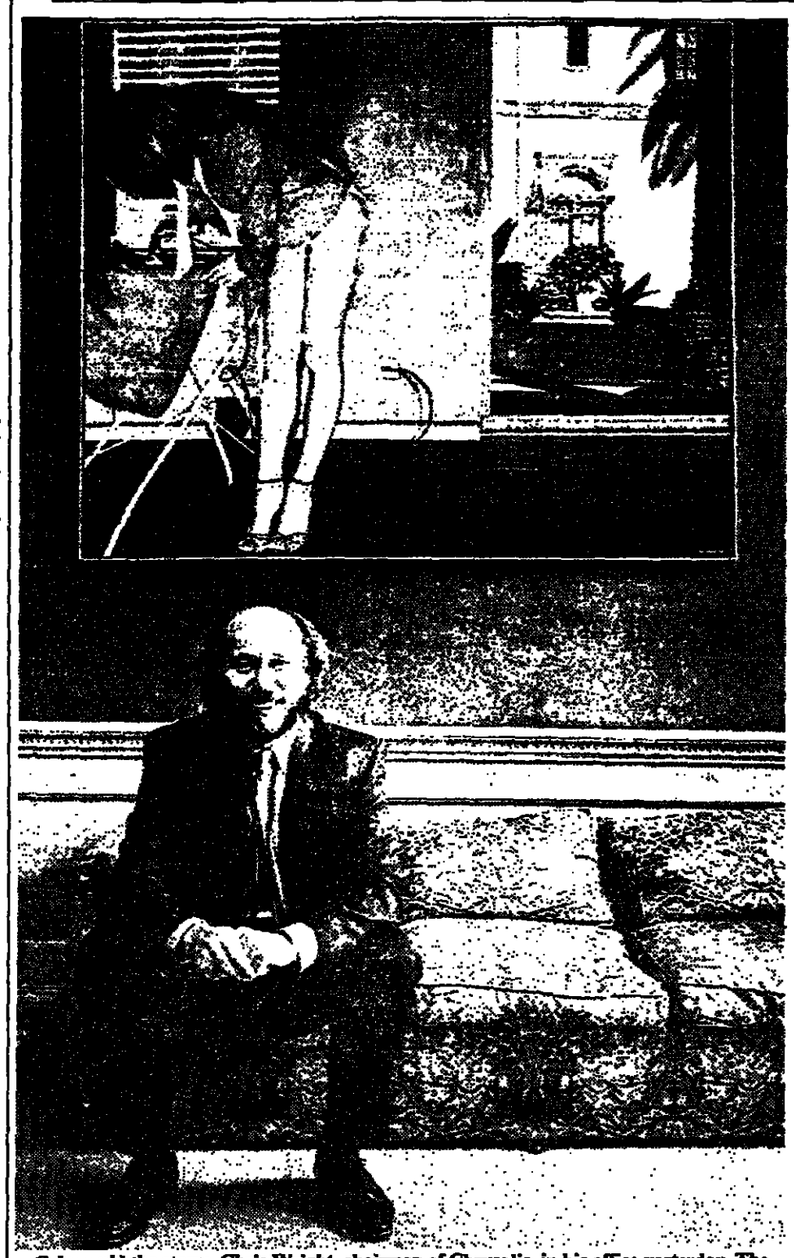
But after an optimistic start and some serious proposals to enact a tax on petrol and eliminate cost-of-living increases for social security and other benefit programmes, the talks deteriorated, and the negotiators rejected one proposal after another as "politically unacceptable."

Mistrust between President Reagan and Mr James Wright, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, flared into the open. Each accused the other of holding up an agreement. No one stepped forward to sell the principles of austerity and savings to a nation grown used to consumption.

As the immediate effects of the market crash faded, the intensity of the talks lessened. The same old struggles between Republican and Democrats over fiscal priority surfaced. Leaders from both parties yesterday described the talks as an opportunity missed.

Mr Wright said he would agree to the compromise "reluctantly." Mr Reagan said earlier that it "was not the last word." Angry Republicans said they were still not certain they would vote for it, and liberal Democrats, anxious to curb the military, threatened to break with their leadership over the defence spending totals. Meanwhile, on Wall Street there was an initial reaction of relief that something would be done.

Row brews over downgraded profit forecast



Calm amid the storm: Chris Wright, chairman of Chrysalis, in his office yesterday. The painting, *The Red Suit*, is by Paul Roberts, a former musician. (Photograph: Nick Rogers)

Chrysalis results ahead at £7.2m

By Cliff Feltham

A dispute is brewing between Chrysalis, the record group, and James Capel, its stockbroker, which unexpectedly cut its profit forecast for the company only days before results were announced.

The move hit the shares and angered analysts who were forced hurriedly to revise their own estimates.

Chrysalis yesterday reported pretax profits of £7.2 million for last year, including a £1 million property gain, up from £5.3 million previously, compared with some forecasts of almost £9 million.

Mr Chris Wright, the chairman, said the company had agreed with James Capel to issue a statement just before

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Black Monday, giving a warning that "profits were likely to fall short of recently-published City expectations."

But because of the stock market crash, which hit the company's shares particularly badly, it decided not to go ahead with the announcement. This was agreed with James Capel.

The company had no prior warning that James Capel was planning to tell clients on Monday that Chrysalis results were likely to be disappointing, cutting its forecast from £8 million to £6 million. Excluding the property profit, this matches the outcome.

Until then, James Capel forecasts had been in line with those of other stockbrokers, who were caught unawares by the move.

One leading leisure analyst said: "It is outrageous that they should have downgraded their estimates just before the results."

Mr Wright said: "We were aware that the second half was not going to be as good as the first and were trying to dampen down some enthusiasm. We never fuelled talk about us making between £8 million and £9 million. People were just bidding us up without any encouragement from us.

"We had a statement ready to put out before Black Monday but because of what happened in the market, decided with the agreement of our brokers to withold it. We didn't think people would be too bothered with our problems."

Mr Terry Connolly, the Chrysalis managing director, said no decision had been made regarding James Capel.

"We are not thrilled by what has happened," he said.

The shares fell 8p to 135p.

Guinness in buy-back plan

By Lawrence Lever

Guinness yesterday announced it was to ask its shareholders to allow it to repurchase up to 10 per cent of its own shares.

The proposed stock repurchase programme, aimed at enhancing earnings per share, would, if activated in full, involve Guinness buying 83 million shares for about £195 million at present prices.

Guinness also emphasized that the ruling by the Takeover Panel that it had breached the Takeover Code "would not have a material effect on its financial position." Guinness is challenging the ruling in the High Court.

Although Guinness could be ordered by the Panel to pay up to £220 million to former shareholders of Distillers, other sources claim that, taking into account legal rules concerning mitigation of loss, its maximum liability would be about £100 million.

Guinness pointed out yesterday that it was merely seeking the authority of its shareholders to buy its own shares. If this is approved by a 75 per cent majority at an extraordinary meeting on December 16, repurchasing its own shares would be regarded merely as "one of the range of investment options" open to the board.

However, with a market capitalization of only £1.93 billion — considerably less than it paid for Distillers — it is likely that Guinness would take advantage of any mandate from shareholders allowing it to buy its shares.

Guinness's shares closed at 237p yesterday, 6p up on the day, but only 10p off its record low this year. The shares have been as high as 389p in 1987.

Sir Norman Macfarlane, the Guinness chairman, in a draft circular to be sent to shareholders, says the "combination of a sharp fall in share prices and a general decline in interest rates means that purchases by Guinness of its stock units at around current price levels would produce a distinct and meaningful improvement in earnings per stock unit."

Paul Stonor resigns before EGM

Mr Paul Stonor yesterday announced that he would resign as chairman of Sound Diffusion, the troubled electrical equipment leasing group, ahead of an extraordinary general meeting called to remove him from office.

The meeting was requested by Throgmorton Trust and other shareholders, together owning 10 per cent of the company. Mr Stonor said yesterday that he intended to retire in January but would go earlier since he had no intention of submitting himself to a vote.

The company said that it has received "expressions of interest" from more than one party interested in considering making a takeover offer.

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University and business combine for a unique degree course

Learning in the 'real world'

By Colin Narbrough

Academia and the City have put their heads together and come up with a unique innovation in management education — an "in-company" programme leading to a master of business administration degree.

The idea is to remove such studies away from the ivory towers of established schemes by introducing "real world" experience in administration.

Mr Geoffrey Holland, the director of the Manpower Services Commission, speaking at yesterday's launch of the project at the Barbican Centre, hailed it as a "revolutionary approach," something which Britain needed across the whole field of management training and development.

"People are the only asset we have in the Britain that can appreciate over the years and on a continuing basis."

Parents of the new, hands-on MBA are a consortium comprising City University Business School, for the educators, and the Stock Exchange, J Sainsbury and American Express, for commerce and industry. The public sector has also helped — City and Hackney Health Authority holds associate membership.

The "Management MBA," billed as a world first, breaks the mould of traditional programmes by assessing students on "enhanced managerial effectiveness in the workplace" rather than on academic performance in the classroom, according to Professor Hugh Murray, the programme director.

He points out that until now the universal business school practice, which had its beginnings in the US 25 years ago, has been to regard student performance on academic courses as a "proxy measure of managerial effectiveness."

"The alternative — measuring output in terms of managerial competence demonstrated in a work context — provides us with an opportunity to develop the complete professional manager," he says.

The first full intake for the two-year programme is planned for February, although 11 students have been participating in a pilot scheme since September. During the course, students will receive normal pay, as they will be actively at work for much of the time.

The programme is seen as an opportunity to educate and develop professional managers within a company environment. Each student's made-to-measure programme focuses on a series of genuine, not "play," assignments within their company, or another company in the consortium.

And there is no set academic menu, nor written exams. Courses are chosen to give specific support to each student's professional development from the wide range available in-house, at City University Business School and other training centres.

Supervision and evaluation, carried out by in-company supervisors and an expert from industry or the academic world, aims to assess how assignments are conducted, taking into account managerial skills in presentation and implementation.

SUMMARY

STOCK MARKETS

New York	
Dow Jones	1901.86 (+6.47)*
Tokyo	
Nikkei Average	22705.56 (+38.76)
Hong Kong:	
Hang Seng	2214.70 (–42.90)
Amsterdam: Gen	212.7 (–5.5)
Sydney: AO	1256.0 (–28.1)
Frankfurt:	
Commerzbank	1325.7 (–29.4)
Brussels:	
General	3830.2 (–71.5)
Paris: CAC	285.5 (–7.2)
Zurich: SKA Gen	438.6 (–7.7)
London:	
FT–A All-Share	818.26 (–5.85)
FT–"500"	904.02 (–4.37)
FT. Gold Mines	287.2 (–9.7)
FT. Fixed interest	95.64 (+0.36)
FT. Govt Secs	91.03 (+0.14)

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MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:	
J Jarvis	675p (+25p)
Deritend Stamping	600p (+10p)
Read Intnl.	380p (+24p)
VSEL	486p (+20p)
Whessoe	99p (+19p)
A Caird	160p (+20p)
Mersey Docks	305p (+32p)
Tumbull Scott	485p (+35p)
Jacksons Bourne	362p (+63p)
FALLS:	
Wm Collins	600p (–23p)
Independent	337p (–25p)
Cons. Gold	700p (–43p)
Scottish TV	333p (–15p)
TV-AM	225p (–23p)
Body Shop	595p (–50p)
Cambridge Inst.	70p (–18p)
Hanover Druce	175p (–40p)
Parrish	525p (–50p)
Henderson Admin.	575p (–50p)
Kennedy Brookes	225p (–25p)

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INTEREST RATES

London: Bank Base: 9%
3-month interbank 9-8 15/16%
3-month eligible bills: 8¾-8 15/16%
buying rate
US: Prime Rate 8¾%
Federal Funds 6 11/16%*
3-month Treasury Bills 5.69-5.67%*
30-year bonds 99 32/32-99 31/32*

CURRENCIES

London:	New York:
£: $1.7785	£: $1.7780*
£: DM2.9887	$: DM1.6820*
£: SwFr2.4548	$: SwFr1.3805*
£: FFr10.1431	$: FFr5.7120*
£: Yen242.01	$: Yen135.55*
£: Index:75.7	$: Index:96.3
ECU £0.690601	SDR £0.758479

GOLD

London Fixing:
AM $466.25 pm-$465.70
close $464.25-464.75 (£260.00-260.50)
New York:
Comex $464.50-465.00*

NORTH SEA OIL

Brent (Dec) pm $17.60bbl ($17.53)
* Denotes latest trading price

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BUSINESS SUMMARY

McLeod and Smale prepare for merger

McLeod Russel and Kennedy Smale, which recently announced merger plans, both released trading results yesterday. Plantations group McLeod Russel made pretax profits of £9.12 million (£10.49 million) in the year to end-September. A final dividend of 7p (6.225p) will be paid.

The Indian tea plantations and the Iffley cotton growing business have been sold, realizing £25 million, which the merged group will use as a springboard for its development in the British industrial sector. Kennedy Smale profits for the six months to end-September rose from £543,000 to £682,000, and the dividend from 2p to 2.25p a share.

Edbro up in first half

Edbro Holdings, the engineering company based in Bolton, Lancashire, lifted profits from £900,000 to £1.1 million in the first half of 1987, on a turnover up from £11.2 million to £11.7 million. The second half is epxected to produce even better results. The interim dividend is repeated at 2.5p a share, and earnings are up from 7p a share to 8p.

TSB 'has 91% of Samuel'

TSB Group said it had received acceptances from 61.9 per cent of Hill Samuel Group shareholders for its £770 million cash offer for the merchant banking group. TSB now owns 91.8 per cent of Hill Samuel. It already held a 29.9 per cent stake in the group. TSB is acquiring the entire Hill Samuel group except for its Wood Mackenzie stockbroking operation.

Abbey cuts loan rate

The Abbey National Building Society said yesterday it was cutting its mortgage rate to 10.1 per cent from 11.25 per cent with immediate effect for new borrowers and from December 1 for existing borrowers. The Abbey, Britain's second biggest building society, said on November 4 that it would reduce its rate after assessing the likely direction of interest rates. The biggest society, the Halifax, cut its rate to 10.3 per cent from 11.25 per cent earlier this month after Britain's banks reduced base rates to 9.0 per cent from 9.5 per cent.

The Woolwich Equitable Building Society cut its rate to 10.2 per cent from 11.25 per cent on Tuesday while the Alliance & Leicester Building Society cut its rate to 10.275 per cent from 11.25 per cent on Thursday. Family Money, page 31

Volkswagen US closure

Volkswagen is shutting its car plant at Westmoreland, Pennsylvania, at the end of the 1988 model year. The company said yesterday the shutdown was due to declining demand for the cars produced there. However, Volkswagen's Fort Worth, Texas, factory, which produces air conditioning equipment and other parts, will remain open.

Grosvenor in £2m sale

Grosvenor Square Properties yesterday announced that it has sold the Rippleside Commercial Estate in Barking, Essex, for approximately £2 million. The estate includes seven warehouses and factory units comprising a total of 180,000 sq ft of space. It is expected to produce a rental income of about £300,000 a year when fully let.

Spain bank 'merger'

Dealings in the shares of two of Spain's big banks were suspended on the country's four stock exchanges yesterday after the announcement of talks about a possible merger to face competition from European banks.

After months of debate on the need for such mergers and government-approved studies of the problem, the plunge was taken by Señor José Sanchez Asiain, chairman of the Banco de Bilbao, in an effort to absorb the Banco Español de Credito (Banesto). Banesto is among the top two in the Spanish banks' assets ranking, with Bilbao in fourth place. If the deal comes off, the merged bank would rank between the 25th and the 30th among Europe's 100 biggest financial institutions.

STOCK MARKETS

Worries in financial sector mount over losses at BZW

By Michael Clark and Geoffrey Foster

News of losses approaching £50 million from Barclays de Zoete Wedd, the securities house, in the wake of last month's stock market crash sent a shudder through the marketplace yesterday.

BZW, which is part of Barclays Bank, said it had been making a profit of £25 million before Black Monday on October 19, and was now saddled with a pretax loss of £18 million.

It is almost certain that other companies with market-making operations have also suffered heavy losses. There are fears that some firms may be forced to shed jobs and cut back on bonuses. Earlier this week, Goldman Sachs, the New York securities house, announced plans to reduce its workforce around the world.

As a result, share prices of the publicly quoted securities houses were marked sharply lower in early trading. Smith New Court led the way lower with a fall of 10p to 185p, after 170p.

Kleinwort Benson, with its own marketmaking operation, fell 18p to 300p, followed by Morgan Grenfell, which bought Pinchin Denny, 5p lower at 243p, after 238p, and Warburg 7p to 303p. Barclays Bank recovered an early fall to finish 3p dearer at 243p.

Hambros was a dull market falling 6p to 228p, but Kleinwort Grieveson Securities, the broker, believes that the shares should not be sold ahead of next Tuesday's interim results.

Mr Wayne Gerry, an analyst, reckons the fall in its share price over the past month seems harsh as it has had limited exposure to Big Bang and the mega coroprate deal scene. Current ratings are undemanding and supported by an above-average yield.

He forecasts that the group will achieve pretax profits of £36 million, including £10.7 million from Hambro Countrywide, against £25 million reported last year.

Midland Bank retreated 18p to 370p as M&G Group, the clearer's largest shareholder with 8 per cent of the shares, hinted that it may oppose the proposed £383 million capital injection from Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation at the extraordinary general meeting next month.

The rest of the equity market shrugged off an early sharp markdown and was rallying strongly at the close of business, helped by reports that an eleventh hour solution to the US budget deficit cuts had been found.

The FT-SE 100 share index reduced an earlier 33.1 fall to finish just 5.7 lower at 1,633.4, a rise on the two-week account of 12.6. The narrower FT 30 share index closed 4.2 down at 1,285.7, having been 23.3 down first thing.

Government securities made the most of a firmer pound, closing with gains of about £¼ at the longer end in thin trading.

Rothmans International, the cigarette group which includes Dunhill luxury products, provided a firm exception, rising by 4p to 359p, after 368p. The group's interim results are due next Thursday and dealers are looking for good news.

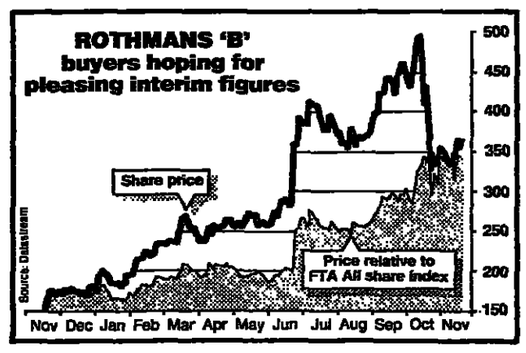
BZW, the broker, says a significant part of the last year's profits increase came in the second half, but expects the first half of the current year to show good gains despite the decline of the group's cigarette markets.

BZW estimates interim profits of £110 million against £73.8 million last year.

But it was the decision of the New Zealander, Mr Ron Brierley, to buy a 10.4 per cent holding in Rothmans' half-owned Australian company and talk that he was stake-building was responsible for the speculative run.

The shares have now recovered from a post-crash level of just below 300p.

BAT Industries, which plunged from £7 to £4 in a matter of days during the crash because of its exposure to the US dollar, lost 11p to 425p ahead of next Wednesday's third-quarter results.



Shares of Allied Colloids, the chemicals group, fell 2p to 105p. Barclays de Zoete Wedd, the broker, says they have been oversold and rates them a long term buy. Interim results, due next month, are expected to show pretax profits climbing from £12.7 million to £14.8 million with earnings a share growing by 20 per cent. BZW expects further strong growth over the full year.

TOKYO

Index closes higher as dealers await US news

(Reuter) — Share prices drifted aimlessly in the void created by the lack of news from Washington on the progress of the US budget deficit talks.

The Nikkei Average closed up 36.76 points at 22,705.56.

"Trading was very quiet but nervous because the talks are running right up to the deadline for the automatic, across-the-board cuts under the Gramm-Rudman law, which will be imposed on Friday," said one dealer.

"We have nothing to do but just wait for the results of the budget talks," another said.

The dollar hardly moved in East Asia as dealers and investors awaited the outcome of the budget deficit talks, the only issue the markets seem concerned about.

With time running out before automatic US budget cuts are enforced, the dollar ended in Tokyo at Y135.37 and DM1.6785, virtually unchanged from its New York close on Thursday.

SYDNEY

Standard 'is mystery buyer of Bell shares'

From Richard Battley, Sydney

Standard Chartered Bank is the mystery buyer of Bell Resources shares, market sources claimed yesterday. They pointed out that Bell Group, Mr Robert Holmes à Court's flagship, holds 14.9 per cent of Standard. He was one of three white knights to help it fend off an unwelcome £1.3 billion takeover bid from Lloyds last year. Thus, the interpretation is that he is owed a favour.

In addition, Cazenove, the London broker, and the local broker EL&C Baillieu have been keen buyers of Bell Resources and Standard is known to have dealt with both. Finally, most of the shares have gone overseas. Of the 5.24 million Bell Resources shares traded yesterday, 4.2 million were for foreign orders.

The market took a lead from Wall Street, with the all-ordinaries index down 27 points — 2 per cent — at 1,256.

FRANKFURT

Dollar fears hit prices

(AP-Dow Jones) — Share prices dropped across the board in lacklustre trading on fears of a further dollar decline.

The foreign exchange markets' uncertain views on progress in the US budget deficit reduction talks persuaded most investors to stay on the sidelines, brokers said. But most market participants have concluded that the US will not present a credible budget proposal, causing a renewed dollar fall which would inflict further damage on West German equities, they said.

Prices opened mostly lower, with little activity. The sell-off accelerated later in the session, as brokers squared their positions before the weekend.

The key Commerzbank Index closed down 29.4 points, or 2.2 per cent, at 1,325.7.

Of the car shares, Daimler-Benz tumbled DM29 to DM631 and BMW fell DM18.50 to DM420.

Siemens shed DM12.30 to DM373.20. The share is still reeling from the announcement of its dividend cut, brokers said. Deutsche Bank dropped DM19.50 to DM430.

SINGAPORE

Investors on sidelines

(Reuter) — The stock market closed weaker as share prices continued to ease on profit-taking and stop-loss selling in quiet trading, dealers said.

The Straits Times industrial index lost 4.06 points to 824.37 from Thursday's close of 828.43.

Brokers said sentiment remained cautious and most investors were keeping to the sidelines awaiting further news from talks in Washington to reduce the US budget deficit.

The market would be watching Wall Street's performance for guidance, they added.

Price changes were mostly narrow with interest centred on a handful of companies. Sime Darby, the most active share with 1.2 million shares traded, lost 1 cent to S$1.89 (54p) and UOB shed 8 cents to S$4.72 on 1.02 million shares exchanged.

Cerebos fell 12 cents to S$4.10, Singapore Airlines 10 cents to S$9.20, Genting 10 cents to S$3.76, Perlis Plantations 8 cents to S$3.84, Fraser and Neave 5 cents to S$7.20, Singapore Press 5 cents to S$6.80 and Rothmans Malaysia 4 cents to S$4.52.

WALL STREET

Dow trims early loss

New York (Reuter) — The stock market began to reverse course in early trading yesterday, recovering some of the ground lost at the opening. The recovery trend surfaced after Mr James Wright, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, said he believed a pact had been reached in budget reduction talks.

The Dow Jones industrial average, down more than 35 points in the first 30 minutes of trading, moderated its loss at one stage to 23.21 points at 1,872.18 while the transport indicator was down 5.71 to 720.86 and the utilities average 1.25 lower at 179.17.

Traders said the recovery began minutes after Mr Wright's remarks were reported. Volume also picked up with 46 million shares trading hands.

	Nov 19	Nov 18
AMR Cp	31½	32¼
ASA	44½	45
Aetna Life	48¾	49⅛
Allied Signal	30½	32⅛
Alls Chlm	1⅝	1⅞
Alcoa	42⅝	44⅜
Amax Inc	16½	17⅛
AMR Hess	23⅞	23¾
Am Brands	41⅜	43
Am Cynmd	36¼	37⅛
Am Ele Pwr	26¼	26
Amexs	23½	24⅞
Am Home	69¾	70⅝
Am Int Grp	63⅞	64½
Am Stand	35⅛	35⅝
Am Telph	28⅝	29⅛
Amoco Cp	66	67½
Amco Steel	8⅝	9⅛
Asarco Inc	23⅛	22⅛
Ashland Oil	51⅛	52⅝
Atl Richfld	70¾	72⅜
Avon Prod	23¾	24⅛
Bk Boston	22⅛	22⅜
Bank NY	28	29⅜
Bankamer	8⅛	8⅜
Bkrs Tst NY	29⅜	30⅝
Baxter	22⅜	23⅛
Beth Steel	12¾	12⅞
Boeing	36½	37
Boise Casc	62⅜	63¼
Borden	44	44⅛
Bristol Meyr	40⅝	41¾
BP	53¾	54
Brunswck	15⅛	15¾
Burl Ind	n.a	n.a
Burl Nth	56¾	57¾
CBS	167½	176
CMS Engy	13¾	13¾
CPC Int	38⅝	39½
CSX Cp	26	26⅛
Cmpbell Sp	57	56¾
Can Pacific	14¾	15⅛
Caterpillar	56	56⅞
Centrl SW	30	30¾
Champion	30¼	29⅝
Chase Man	25	26⅛
Chem NY	27⅞	27⅛
Chevron	38⅛	40⅜
Chrysler	22½	23
Citicorp	18½	19½
Clark Eq	21¼	21¾
Coca Cola	38½	39⅛
Colgate	38⅝	40⅜
Columb Gas	39	38¾
Cmb'n Eng	26¾	26⅝
Cmwlth Edi	29	29⅝
Cons Edis	43⅛	43⅝
Consol Ng	37	37½
Cont Data	22	22⅜
Corning Gl	47¼	47½
Crane	19¾	20⅛
Curtiss Wrt	45	45¼
Data Genl	21⅜	21¼
Deere Co	29¾	30⅜
Delta Airl	35	35⅞
Detroit Edi	13¾	14⅛
Digital Eq	126¾	130
Disney	53⅜	55¼
Dow Chem	80	80⅝
Dresser Ind	22¾	22½
Dupont	80½	83
Duke Pwr	45	45⅜
East Kodak	47½	48⅝
Eaton Cp	66¾	67⅞
Emerson El	29	29⅛
Emery Air	4⅜	4½
Exxon	39¾	41½
Farsh Inc	7½	8¼
Fedders	5⅜	6
Firestone	33⅜	33¾
Fst Chicago	22	22⅝
Fst Int Bncp	39½	39⅝
Fst Penn C	8⅜	8⅛
FT Wachva	32½	33
Ford Motor	75	75⅝
GAF Cp	44¼	45⅞
GTE Cp	36	36
Gen Cp	68⅛	69⅝
Gn Dynam	47⅞	48
Gen Electric	44¼	45⅝
Gen Inst	23⅛	24½
Gen Mills	45¾	45½
Gen Motors	59⅛	61
Gen Pub Ut	23⅜	23¾
Genesco	3⅜	3½
Georgia Pac	31½	33
Gillette	29⅝	30¼
Goodrich	32	33¾
Goodyear	48⅝	49½
Gould Inc	12½	12⅝
Grace Co	43	44⅜
Grt Atl Pac	35	35¾
Greyhnd	25⅛	25¾
Grumen	24⅜	23
Gulf & West	67⅞	68½
Heinz	37¼	38⅛
Hercules	45⅛	46
Hewlett Pk	49⅝	51⅜
Honeywell	56¾	57¼
IC Ind	26½	25⅝
ITT Cp	48¾	48¼
INCO	15⅝	16⅛
Ing Rand Wi	30½	31¼
Inland Steel	22⅛	23⅜
IBM	118¼	118½
Int Paper	36⅜	37¼
Irving Bk	48⅜	49½
Jhsn & Jhsn	76¼	78⅛
K Mart	28	29¾
Kaisertech	10⅛	10
Kerr McGee	31¼	32¼
Kimbrly Clrk	53¾	53½
Kraft	47½	49
Kroger	25½	25⅝
LTV Cp	2⅜	2⅛
Litton	76¾	76¾
Lockheed	38	38⅛
Lucky Str	24⅛	25
Man H'rver	28⅛	29⅜
Manville	2¾	2⅝
Mapco	41½	42
Marine Mid	82¼	82¼
Mt Marietta	41¾	40¾
Masco	22¼	24⅝
Mcdonalds	44½	44½
McDonnell	59⅝	59⅜
Mead Cp	28¾	29
Merck	170⅝	171
Minsta Mng	61½	63¼
Mobil	34½	36⅜
Monsanto	71¼	72⅜
Morgan Jp	34⅝	35⅝
Motorola	40⅝	42½
NCR	61⅜	64½
NL Indstrs	5⅛	5¾
Nat Distill	56¾	56⅝
Nat Md Ent	18⅝	19⅝
Nat Semi	11⅝	12⅛
Norfolk Sth	23	23¾
NW Bancrp	35⅛	35½
Occid Petl	24¾	25⅛
Ogden Cp	24¾	25¼
Olin Cp	36¼	36
PPG Ind	33¼	33¾
Pac Gas El	18	17⅞
Pan Am	3⅜	3½
Penney JC	44¼	45⅝
Pennzoil	72½	69½
Pepsico	32¾	32¾
Pfizer	50	51⅝
Phelps Dod	37¾	38½
Philip Mor	88	88⅛
Philip Pet	10⅝	11⅛
Polaroid	21	21⅜
Pmerica	26⅛	27¼
Procr Gble	85¾	86⅛
Pub S E G	24¾	24⅜
Raytheon	67⅞	68⅜
Rynlds Metl	43¾	43⅜
Rockwell Int	18⅞	19⅛
Royal Dutch	106⅛	107½
SFE Sopac	49⅝	50¼
Sara Lee	34½	35⅝
Schlmb	30¼	33
Scott Pap	64¾	66
Seagram	55⅞	56⅛
Sears Roeb	35⅜	36⅞
Shell Trans	70½	72⅛
Singer	49¾	49¾
Smith Beck	47¾	47⅝
Sonv Cp	34¾	35⅝
Sth Cal Ed	31	31⅜
SW Bell	35½	36⅛
Squibb	66¼	68¾
Sterl Drug	49¼	51
Stevens JP	27¾	27¾
Sun Comp	48⅝	50
TRW Inc	42⅜	43¾
Teledyne	277⅞	275
Tennaco	40⅝	42¼
Texaco	29⅜	30¼
Tex Eastn	22	22⅜
Texas Inst	39⅝	41⅜
Tex Util	29⅜	29¾
Textron	21½	21½
Travelers	35⅝	36⅜
USG	28⅜	28½
USX Cp	28	28⅝
Unilever Plc	32¾	32¾
Un Carbide	21¾	22
Un Pac Cp	52¾	53⅜
Unisys Cp	31	31½
Utd Brands	41¾	40¾
Utd Tech	31⅝	32⅜
Unocal	25½	27¼
Walter Jim	59¾	59
Warn Lamb	68	70½
Wells Far	40⅜	40¾
Westg El	45⅝	46¾
Weyerhsr	35½	35¾
Whirlpool	25¾	27¼
Woolworth	34	35½
Xerox Cp	56⅝	58½
Zenith	13¾	14

CANADIAN PRICES

Agnco Eag	22¾ 22½
Alcan Alum	31¾ 32¾
Algoma Stl	14¾ 15
Can Pacific	19¼ 19¾
Cominco	11⅝ 12
Con Bathrst	16¾ 16
Hawk S Can	20 19½
Hud Bay M	18¾ 18¾
Imasco	25 25½
Imperial Oil	49½ 53¾
Int Pipe	40¾ 41
Royl Trstco	13¾ 13¾
Seagram	73 73¾
Shelco 'A'	30 31¼
Thmsn N 'A'	26¾ 26½
Varity Cp	2⅞ 3
WCT	15¼ 14¾
Weston	32 32¾

ALPHA STOCKS

	Vol '000		Vol '000		Vol '000		Vol '000
Abbey	1,035	Coats	1,884	Land Sec	3,649	Rowntree	177
Ald-Lyons	1,319	CU	686	Laporte	47	Royal Bank	1,593
Amstrad	1,811	Cons Gold	383	L&G	789	Royal Ins	2,277
ASDA	5,615	Cookson	310	Lloyds	1,128	Saatchi	914
AB Foods	209	Courtaulds	939	Lonrho	1,412	Sainsbury	1,187
Argyll	2,642	Dalgety	145	Lucas	783	Scot & N	810
BAA	2,527	Dee	2,265	Magnet	894	Sears	2,071
BET	1,067	Dixons	3,017	M&S	6,288	Sedgwick	734
BTR	3,635	EGC	111	Maxwell Cm	1,193	Shell	1,111
BAT	5,163	Enterprise	316	MEPC	2,945	Smith & N	2,878
Barclays	1,128	Ferranti	2,781	Metal Box	490	STC	6,310
Bass	656	Fisons	1,172	Midland	2,371	Stan Chart	95
Beecham	2,830	Gen Acc	662	NatWest	983	Storehse	4,383
Beazer	753	GSC	7,006	Next	4,374	Sun Allnce	94
BICC	616	Glaxo	4,049	Nth Food	128	T & N	379
Blue Arrow	2,792	Globe	73	P&O	664	Tarmac	1,087
Blue Circle	1,019	Granada	292	Pearl	125	Tate & Lyle	82
BOC	1,410	Grand Met	2,674	Pearson	191	TSB	4,809
Boots	3,892	GUS 'A'	1,143	Pilkington	1,464	Tesco	4,913
BPB	561	GRE	417	Plessey	6,448	Thorn EMI	1,343
Br Aero	3,413	GKN	993	Prudential	1,811	Trafalgar	626
Br Airways	5,646	Guinness	6,072	Racal	2,168	THF	2,403
Br Comm	455	Hamm 'A'	220	Rk Hovis	1,216	Ultramar	634
Br Gas	11,622	Hanson	10,504	Rank	465	Unigate	897
Br Petrol	13,547	Hawker	88	R&C	146	Unilever	2,439
Br Telecm	8,958	Hawley	784	Redland	791	United Bis	832
Britoil	2,134	Hillsdown	782	Reed	3,413	Utd News	367
Bunzl	1,719	IMI	481	Reuters	963	Wellcome	1,757
Burmah	1,148	ICI	2,149	RMC Gp	141	Whitbrd	1,369
Burton	2,780	Jaguar	3,356	RTZ	2,332	Willis Fab	104
C&W	3,614	Lasmo	718	R-Royce	5,445	Woolworth	786
Cadbury	2,273	Ladbroke	2,782	Rothmn 'B'	787	Equities page 29	

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

	Series	Calls Jan	Apr	Jul	Puts Jan	Apr	Jul
Allid Lyon ('327)	300	47	60	73	25	23	30
	330	27	40	55	35	43	55
	360	15	27	38	55	65	68
Bass ('769)	750	55	75	95	40	58	70
	800	33	53	70	70	87	100
	850	15	35	52	115	122	130
Brit Air ('138)	130	23	28	30	12	21	23
	140	15	23	28	18	27	28
	150	8	16	20	32	35	43
Brit Com ('305)	300	40	60	65	32	45	55
	330	23	42	55	50	60	65
	360	13	22	42	75	85	90
Brit Gas ('129)	120	20	25	30	7	10	14
	130	14	20	23	12	17	23
	140	—	14	18	—	23	28
BP ('250)	240	25	35	43	9	20	28
	260	17	23	33	21	28	37
	280	—	17	25	—	42	50
Bristol ('187)	200	18	30	35	30	37	42
	220	12	21	27	31	50	55
	240	9	16	23	57	65	70
Cons Gold ('698)	750	60	90	120	95	120	140
	800	40	70	100	130	150	180
	850	35	55	90	170	200	220
Courtauld ('328)	300	48	68	77	17	30	35
	330	32	52	60	32	43	52
	360	23	40	47	53	63	72
	390	13	30	38	78	88	100
Com Union ('293)	260	45	55	65	15	35	45
	300	35	45	55	35	45	60
	330	20	35	45	45	60	80
C & W ('292)	260	32	43	53	15	28	33
	280	48	63	72	30	46	50
	300	35	53	67	43	53	62
	330	23	42	55	60	67	72
GEC ('163)	160	18	28	35	13	20	23
	180	9	18	25	26	32	35
	200	4	11	18	43	47	50
GKN ('265)	240	43	53	63	15	28	33
	260	32	43	53	23	38	45
	280	23	35	45	33	48	58
Grand Met ('383)	300	15	28	38	48	62	70
	360	47	57	73	23	33	38
	390	30	42	55	37	50	57
	420	16	30	40	53	65	72
	460	10	17	27	90	97	100
ICI ('990)	1000	75	105	135	70	110	130
	1050	55	90	115	110	135	155
	1100	37	75	95	135	165	180
	1150	26	62	80	170	205	210
Jaguar ('282)	300	25	36	48	40	55	63
	330	18	28	40	58	75	83
	360	10	20	32	88	98	102
Land Sec ('423)	390	65	80	100	15	22	32
	420	48	63	85	23	35	45
	450	30	47	65	55	55	60
M & S ('180)	180	20	28	36	16	26	24
	200	9	20	26	28	32	36
	220	4	14	17	44	48	50
R-Royce ('110)	110	13	22	26	13	18	22
	120	10	17	23	18	23	28
	130	8	14	18	28	33	34
	140	5	10	17	35	—	40
Shell ('880)	950	90	130	165	55	90	113
	1000	75	115	145	70	120	140
	1050	55	95	120	100	145	160
Storehse ('261)	220	53	63	73	9	16	20
	240	40	48	58	15	23	27
	260	28	40	50	28	33	37
	280	17	33	45	35	43	45
Trafalgar ('310)	280	40	55	62	15	23	30
	300	27	42	47	27	35	43
	320	15	30	35	45	52	60
TSB ('105)	100	14	18	22	9	16	13
	110	10	13	17	12	18	20
	120	7	11	14	20	23	25
Wooleorth ('257)	260	45	65	70	13	20	25
	280	30	50	55	25	30	35
	300	18	35	40	45	50	55
	330	11	20	25	55	65	70

	Series	Calls Dec	Mar	Jun	Puts Dec	Mar	Jun
De Beers ('999)	1200	15	—	—	300	—	—
	1300	10	—	—	400	—	—
Glaxo ('999)	1000	50	130	165	58	95	125
	1050	37	105	140	90	125	150
	1100	25	85	120	120	155	170
	1150	15	70	100	185	185	205
Hanson ('125)	110	17	21	27	2	7	10
	120	11	16	22	6¼	12	16
	130	6¼	11	17	13	17	21
	140	3¼	7	13	20	23	28
Lonrho ('200)	200	20	30	40	17	25	28
	220	10	20	28	37	43	48
	240	—	14	22	—	53	60
	260	—	8	15	—	72	78
Midland ('368)	330	55	70	85	10	22	35
	360	40	55	70	25	43	59
	390	25	35	55	40	60	65
Sears ('126)	120	17	24	30	8	10	15
	130	10	17	23	13	17	21
	140	7	12	16	22	25	28
Tesco ('157)	140	24	33	38	4	10	13
	160	—	24	28	—	17	22
	183	2	16	—	28	32	—
Thorn EMI ('496)	420	97	110	130	11	20	27
	460	60	82	105	20	32	45
	500	37	57	77	35	47	64
	550	18	35	60	67	82	100
THF ('192)	180	25	37	45	13	28	33
	200	13	28	35	20	30	47
	220	6	17	25	40	50	55
Unilever ('450)	420	50	70	85	15	29	42
	460	25	50	67	32	47	63
	500	15	35	50	60	75	85
Wellcome ('362)	300	68	85	95	8	15	25
	330	48	65	75	12	23	35
	360	25	53	60	24	35	48

	Series	Feb	May	Aug	Feb	May	Aug
BAA ('104)	90	23	30	—	12	15	—
	100	18	25	28	15	19	22
	110	14	20	23	22	28	28
Brit Aero ('316)	300	50	60	70	28	45	48
	330	35	47	57	43	60	62
	360	23	35	—	62	78	—
BAT Ind ('419)	380	57	70	85	30	35	45
	420	40	57	70	48	57	58
	460	30	40	53	80	70	77
	500	15	27	—	90	97	—
Brit Tele ('216)	220	20	27	37	24	33	37
	240	13	20	28	38	45	50
	260	6	14	—	55	60	—
Cadbury ('217)	200	34	40	43	13	18	21
	220	21	28	35	22	27	30
	240	13	17	25	33	37	40
Guinness ('234)	220	37	47	60	20	30	40
	240	23	35	48	37	46	48
	260	15	25	—	52	58	—
Ladbroke ('302)	300	35	45	60	30	40	45
	330	23	33	45	50	58	63
LASMO ('217)	220	27	40	53	30	40	50
	240	20	30	40	45	50	58
	260	12	20	—	62	78	—
Pilkingtn ('195)	180	42	55	—	17	25	30
	200	30	40	52	27	35	40
	220	22	32	45	42	47	47
	240	13	25	—	62	70	—
Pleasey ('127)	130	18	26	33	17	22	28
	140	12	20	25	24	30	32
	150	8	15	22	32	37	39
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CEGB likely to lose battle for control of national grid

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

The Central Electricity Generating Board is likely to be told next week that it has lost its battle to retain control of the national grid under the Government's privatization plans for electricity.

Mr Cecil Parkinson, the Energy Secretary, is to meet his departmental advisers this weekend in Oxfordshire to review the progress of privatization plans.

Mr Parkinson hopes to have work completed on the privatization programme in time to present details to Parliament early next year.

Decisions reached this weekend will be relayed to the chairmen of the Electricity Council, the CEGB and the 12 area electricity boards, but they have been instructed by Mr Parkinson to limit their public announcements on the subject and halt the public squabbling.

Mr Parkinson will be concentrating on how the CEGB, with its network of 78 power stations, will be treated. He is also expected to take a view on how the national grid should be privatized.

The CEGB has argued that it should retain control of the national grid and has given a warning that only then can it guarantee power supplies

The area boards and the Electricity Council, however, have said the grid should be taken from the CEGB and placed under the control of the distribution side of the business so that private generators will have access to it and be encouraged to move into private generation.

Mr Parkinson has made clear he will bring competition into the generating side of the business and he will be advised this weekend on how groups of power stations could be hived off from the existing CEGB structure, how the national grid could be privatized separately and how the Government's insistence that a proportion of power come from nuclear power stations can be accommodated.



Concentrating on power: Cecil Parkinson, Energy Secretary

US may act against Japan

From David Watts
Tokyo

The US may take action against Japan for its refusal to open bidding on public works projects to foreign companies.

"We will have to see what can be done within the limits of our law," said Mr William Verity, US commerce secretary, after talks with leading ministers confirmed a government decision on Tuesday not to permit American access.

Japan argues that certain European countries do not open public works to outside bids. It also argues that the new Kansai international airport, in which American firms have already won a small part, does not fall into the same category since it is led by private firms.

Mr Verity told the Japan Press Club that within the last few weeks Japanese firms had won contracts to extend the Washington metro system and a US Air Force base in Alaska.

"While Japanese construction companies do $2 billion of business in the United States, foreign companies can't compete for public works jobs run by the government of Japan. There could be $200 billion in such projects over the next decade. In an open market that would mean a lot of imports — but not unless there is a change in Japanese policies that keep out foreign bidders."

At a breakfast meeting for American businessmen, Mr Verity said Japanese pricing practices were helping prevent the appreciated yen have a beneficial effect on the American trade deficit.

"Pricing of imports and exports is distorting the economic and trade effects of currency adjustments and precluding the establishment of stable markets," he said. He gave a warning that the result might be an increase in the number of anti-dumping actions taken in the US.

Less than a week ago the US found that Japanese colour television tubes were being sold in the American market at 33 per cent below fair market value, and only hours before the secretary spoke a preliminary finding had been made that Japanese fork lift trucks were being sold 42.7 per cent below a fair value.

Mr Verity claimed that since April 1985 yen export prices had declined by 23 per cent, alongside the steep appreciation in the value of the currency, and export prices had dipped by up to 10 per cent below Japanese wholesale prices.

COMMENT

The morning after the night before

Most people in the City have spent most of their time since October 19th trying to explain why it happened.

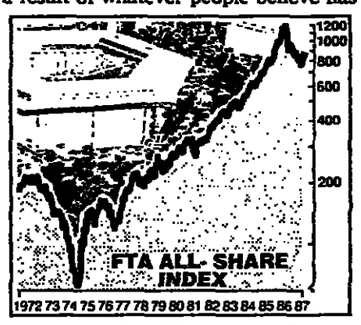
Many ideas have been put forward, including programme trading, bad weather on the Friday before, which meant that people could not reach their City offices, the first anniversary of Big Bang, the failure to confirm Judge Bork to the Supreme Court, which showed that President Reagan was not in control of American policy, bad US trade figures and worries about the US deficit.

There is, however, a different explanation for why the stock market fell in New York and London with such ferocity on October 19. It was too high.

Christopher Murphy, who advises James Capel, has been watching the market for many years. The chart, reproduced below, makes depressing viewing.

It shows first of all that we should remember that we are just at the start of the bear market, if that is what we are seeing.

Prices have been falling seriously only for about six weeks. It may be that all past history will be overturned and prices will go up on a permanent basis as a result of whatever people believe has been arranged in Washington. But not many people would want to bet their own money on that.



What we are seeing is the end of a market best summed up by a New Zealander, who said: "In New Zealand last year, if you took a brick and put it in a cardboard box, you could float it."

After the excess comes the correction. There is a conventional wisdom which says the difference between today and 1929 is that the authorities have decided not to allow a collapse of the money supply. But the most reliable measure of American money supply has contracted by nearly $10 billion in the past two weeks. That was not a policy decision by President Reagan, or James Wright, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Alan Greenspan, the Federal Reserve Board chairman, or anyone else.

As the market drifts (and yesterday's drop of 5.7 points in minimal trading showed a total lack of view), many people are trying to take encouragement from the fact that price earnings ratios are no longer very high.

But even this could be deceptive. Share price adverts have a routine warning that prices can go down as well as up. But so can the earnings on which the p/e ratios on which market analysts so much stock are based.

Pop goes a bubble

The decision by CBS to sell its record division to Sony is as important as Sony's decision to buy it. Both show a transfer of economic power from America to Japan. Both show how Japanese and American corporations are responding to Black Monday, October 19. Anyone who owns shares in a British television or record company should also think through the implications.

CBS receives $2 billion in cash and moves out of the record industry. The obvious short-term loser is Thorn-EMI, which still has the HMV label as one of its most tragically under-used assets. Virgin, Chrysalis and Sony want to move into the recorded music market almost as much as CBS wants to move out. BZW can tell you what happens when Nomura moves into market-making. Mr Richard Branson and Philips (which controls Decca and Deutsche Grammophon, as well as its own label, which means it dominates the classical music market) will feel an uncomfortable rival.

But probably most disturbing for most companies that have done well in the past seven years is that the Sony decision suggests that Japanese corporations have decided to use the cash stocks they have built up as their part of the Japanese trade surplus over the past seven years to buy the software and services that are the next generation.

The only hope is that as they become committed to intellectual property such as software, they might become gamekeepers after all.

If the Japanese are using their money to buy their futures, many American corporations are trying to sell their pasts to make their present look respectable, which means restoring their balance sheets by selling off the past. (Do not believe what they say about trying to destroy their balance sheets by buying back their shares.)

Long term it will. The major American networks are retrenching into the business they know best, which is mass entertainment television. Their behaviour is symptomatic of something we shall see more and more of in the next few years.

Corporations which used cheap and easy money to expand into businesses they did not understand will draw in their horns.

David Blake

Cullen's makes £2.6m loss at half year

By Michael Tate

Cullen's Holdings, the convenience stores chain being revamped by a new management team, is still losing money. In the half year to the end of August it ran up losses of £2.63 million, three times the figure of a year ago. Turnover was up from £9.87 million to £11.34 million.

Mr Peter Matthews, the chairman, now accepts that it will take longer than originally envisaged to fulfill the group's potential.

Trading losses from the continuing outlets during the half-year were £1.46 million, against £918,000 last time, while the 11 shop closures were responsible for an exceptional loss of £1.07 million. And this was after absorbing central costs of £1.27 million.

Mr Matthews blames the losses on the rationalization of the group. During the past two years, Cullens has relocated its head office, established a central distribution activity and introduced new controls and procedures throughout the business. At the same an entire new management team has been brought in.

These changes, coupled with the store conversion programme, were behind the heavy head office costs, says Mr Matthews.

The strategy now, he adds, is to consolidate the business, reduce overheads and deliver the profit from the existing stores. This approach will lead to reducing losses and the achievement of a positive cash flow.

Cambridge fall on profits warning

By Colin Campbell

The stock market did not take kindly yesterday to the interim results from Cambridge Instrument Company which reported difficult trading conditions in certain segments of its business and gave a warning about its year-end profits.

The swift fall in the share price from 88p to 70p was compounded by news that it will take longer than thought to integrate recent acquisitions.

Group turnover in the six months ended September 27 was £51.5 million compared with £60.9 million, on which the operating profit from ongoing businesses was £2.2 million compared with £2.93 million.

There were reduced losses from associated companies, and a credit as opposed to a debit on the interest front, which helped profits at the pretax level rise from £2.61 million to £2.77 million. The interim dividend rises from 0.2p to 0.22p a share.

The group has charged a sharply lower rate of tax at £390,000 compared with £1.13 million which helped interim profits at the net level rise from £1.48 million to £2.38 million.

However, Cambridge says there have been serious difficulties associated with a recent technology acquisition, and that its orders in the semiconductor manufacturing market are low.

Cambridge hopes to secure a wider market share now that its product base has been broadened, though it will take some time to complete the integration of new businesses. It adds that the performance of scientific instruments is good.

Dispute over BHP options is resolved

From Richard Battley, Sydney

Mr Robert Holmes à Court and Mr John Spalvins, the rival entrepreneurs, yesterday resolved their controversial Aus$550 million (£213 million) Broken Hill Proprietary options deal, thus avoiding a legal battle.

Mr Spalvins, the managing director of The Adelaide Steamship Company, said that the two companies have reached an agreement.

An earlier statement to stock exchanges said that Mr Spalvins' company and Mr Holmes à Court's Weeks Petroleum had "settled their differences amicably on a basis that will not have a material effect on either." He would not elaborate, saying only that "any difference of opinion" between the two parties had been resolved. Mr Holmes à Court could not be contacted for comment.

Mr Spalvin's credibility was severely dented last June when Adelaide Steamship failed to deliver the required number of BHP shares to Weeks, a Bell Resources subsidiary, under the 1985 options agreement.

Adelaide Steamship had delivered to Weeks only 73.3 million of the 110.3 million BHP shares stipulated in the deal. For failing to comply fully, it paid a penalty of Aus$93 million.

Mr Holmes à Court said then he would sue for an estimated Aus$100 million, saying Mr Spalvins had breached the "spirit" of the agreement. Mr Spalvins insisted that his company had fulfilled its obligations.

A spokesman for Weeks said yesterday that the company expected to issue a statement on Monday.

TEMPUS

Unhappy Chrysalis drops out of the City's popularity charts

Chrysalis, the entertainment and leisure group, must be wishing it had never fluttered into the City. There are a few people in the Square Mile who think the same way.

The offer for sale was almost entirely left with the underwriters, sending the shares into a free fall from which they only recently recovered. It is going to take more than a hit record to get the company back into the City's popularity charts after the latest fiasco.

Not surprisingly, analysts are hopping mad over a sudden downgrading of profits by Chrysalis's own broker, James Capel, for the year just ended — a couple of days before the announcement of the figures yesterday confirmed the disappointing outcome.

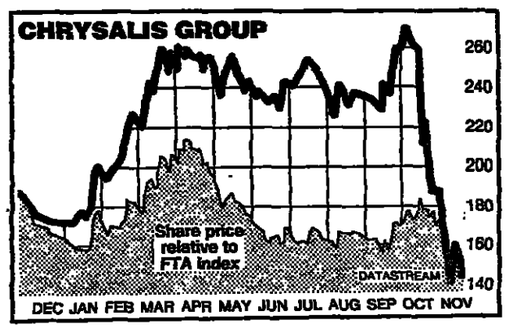
A parting of the ways with Capel looks pretty inevitable, but more important from the Chrysalis standpoint is recovering its credibility, especially as the problems last year merely confirm what many have suspected for a long time — that the record business can be highly volatile.

After a good first half, management problems in the all-important American market as good as destroyed any further contribution from this activity for the year.

As a result the full-year figures, with the benefit of a £1 million property gain, advanced to £7.2 million compared with £5.31 million. The market had been merrily looking towards £9 million.

Plans to boost the size of the amusement division with the acquisition of the Bell Fruit business have almost been aborted.

Chrysalis has a strong roster of artistes. The business is going through an upswing, with the introduction of compact discs and the impact of pop videos, and the company has demonstrated its ability to spot changes in tastes. Property profits are also holding up well. But the shares, down 8p yesterday at 135p, will probably be neglected for some time to come.



Brewing

Brewing shares, noted for their resilience in times of recession, mirrored the anxieties of the market as a whole during last month's stock market crash.

Companies such as Guinness, Grand Metropolitan and Allied-Lyons earn a significant portion of their profits in dollars, and the currency's weakness has caused their shares to underperform the market, although they recovered some ground last week.

Bass, Whitbread and Scottish & Newcastle, on the other hand, have held up against the market reasonably well as their domestic orientation is seen as highly defensive.

Whitbread, rated as a domestic despite some US liquor interests, is the harbinger of what the forthcoming results season has in store for the brewing sector. On Wednesday, it reported a strong performance from the pub and retailing division, mainly because of a 30 per cent rise in food sales. In contrast, the beer division put in a creditable performance against the background of static demand in the British beer market.

In Britain generally, the switch to lager is as marked as ever. So, if total beer sales are static, ale sales must be falling, although no brewer will admit it. The name of the game is the promotion of strong brands to gain market share from rivals.

Whitbread's Stella Artois premium lager is still gaining market share, and Bass's results are expected to show that its Carling Black Label is doing the same. Allied is thought to be holding on to its market share with the heavily-promoted Castlemaine XXXX.

Allied-Lyons, whose shares have outperformed the market by 10 per cent in the past four weeks, will be the next to report, on December 1. Interim pretax profits are forecast to rise by nearly 30 per cent to £190 million. Australian stake building has helped buoy up the shares.

Bass is expected to report full-year profits up by more than 15 per cent to £360 million pretax on December 3. Bass's share price has held up so well, rising 16 per cent against the market in the past four weeks, that little more by way of outperformance can be expected in the short term.

Grand Metropolitan's final results are due on December 17. Profits should be up 20 per cent to £440 million. Guinness's finals, due in March, should be even more spectacular, rising 30 per cent to more than £400 million.

Guinness and Grand Metropolitan could be vulnerable if US duties on spirits are increased to ease the US budget deficit. However, all but the worst fears seem to be reflected in their share prices. Guinness outperformed the market marginally in the past four weeks, while GrandMet underperformed by about 5 per cent. Guinness and GrandMet are on prospective multiples of 8.9 and 10.1 respectively and both offer good value in the sector.

Sedgwick Group

Sedgwick Group must be sorely tempted to lean on lines from *Hamlet* that "One woe doth tread upon another's heel, So fast they follow . . ." in reporting for the nine months ended September.

The results confirm more of the bad news that has been the feature of other recent quarterly reports from the company, and the year is not over yet.

While nine months' revenue rose from £475.5 million to £507.9 million, pretax profits for the period now turn out at £93.2 million compared with £113.2 million for the same period of the previous year.

Projections that the year's results will turn out at about the £108 million mark, compared with an actual £135.5 million seen in 1986, thus look highly reasonable.

New business in difficult conditions is being won, but the essential problems are — still — the heavy reliance on energy-related marine, oil and gas business, and the vulnerability to the fall in rates in the property and commercial package markets.

In its determination to maintain a full range of services, Sedgwick will have to keep a close eye on its expenses level if it hopes to stem the profits setback. Expenses have recently swelled during a time when brokerage has slowed, and the group's dollar exposure has further dented confidence.

The shares thus rely on yield attractions for support, with the odd speculative flair generating an occasional burst of excitement. At 182p, they now yield 9.2 per cent.

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Int Recov | 21.7 | 23.1 | -0.1 | 1.00
Europe | 15.8 | 16.9 | -0.3 | 2.05

BUCHANAN MANAGEMENT
The Stock Exchange London EC2P 2JT
01-588 2868 01 623 2345
Fellowship Inc | 52.8 | 56.2e | -0.6 | 1.84
General Inc 4 | 226.1 | 239.7c | +1.5 | 2.83
Do Acc 4 | 304.7 | 323.0 | +1.9 | 2.83
Income Fd 3 | 109.8 | 115.6e | .. | 5.01
Do Acc 3 | 203.1 | 213.8 | .. | 5.01
Int Inc 2 | 102.1 | 107.3 | .. | 0.28
Do Acc 2 | 136.7 | 143.6 | .. | 0.28
Smlr Inc 5 | 78.9 | 83.5 | .. | 2.02
Do Acc | 85.0 | 89.9 | .. | 2.02

CANNON FUND MANAGERS
1, Olympic Way, Wembley Middx HA9 0NB
01-902 8876
Growth | 39.5 | 30.6e | +0.1 | 2.98
Income | 19.8 | 19.1e | +0.1 | 5.24
Far East | 22.7 | 24.6e | +0.2 | 0.25
Nth American | 23.3 | 25.2e | +0.2 | 0.92
Global | 38.7 | 41.9 | +0.1 | 0.92
European | 37.5 | 40.6e | .. | 1.47
Japan | 67.5 | 72.5e | +0.9 | 0.01

CAPEL (JAMES) MANAGEMENT
PO Box 551 Bevis Marks London EC3 7JQ
01-621 0011
Capital | 346.4 | 368.6 | -7.0 | 1.87
Income | 310.2 | 330.1 | -7.0 | 4.84
Nth Amer | 205.5 | 218.7 | -0.8 | 2.20

CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ
01-588 1815
Investment | 437.5 | .. | .. | 4.59
Fixed Int | 145.2 | .. | .. | 9.85
Deposit | 100.0 | .. | .. | 9.85

CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ
01-588 1815
Income | 409.8 | ● | .. | 4.95
Acc | £12.7185 | | .. | 5.41
Deposit | 100.0 | .. | .. | 5.41

CHASE MANHATTAN FUND MNGRS
73/73,Basinghall St, London EC2V 5DP
01-606 6822
S/C Spec Sit | 55.1 | 58.3 | .. | 0.50

CLERICAL MEDICAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH
0800 372393
Amer Gth | 19.8 | 17.9 | -0.1 | 0.00
Atlas Gth | 20.3 | 21.5 | -0.2 | 0.50
Dragon Gth | 17.9 | 19.1 | -0.3 | 0.00
Equity Hi Inc | 45.8 | 52.8 | -0.9 | 5.00
European Gth | 21.7 | 23.1e | -0.1 | 0.50
Gen Equity | 42.4 | 44.9 | -1.1 | 2.20
G/F Interl Gth | 22.5 | 24.8 | +0.1 | 6.00
Gilt & Fixed Inc | 23.4 | 25.8 | +0.2 | 8.50
Int Income Tst | 22.9 | 25.5e | .. | 5.30
Japan Gth | 30.7 | 33.1 | -0.4 | 0.00
Pacific Gth | 25.1 | 25.7 | -0.9 | 2.20
Special Sits | 31.4 | 33.3 | -0.7 | 0.90

COMMERCIAL UNION TRUST MANAGERS
St Helen's, 1, Undershaft, London EC3P 3DQ
01-283 7500 Dealing 01-588 9816
UK & Gen Inc | 48.2 | 51.3 | -0.9 | 2.19
Do Acc | 48.4 | 51.5 | -0.9 | 2.19
Income Inc | 52.0 | 55.3 | -1.0 | 2.11
Do Acc | 52.8 | 56.2 | -1.0 | 2.11
Worldwide Inc | 39.4 | 42.1 | -0.5 | 1.14
Do Acc | 39.5 | 42.2 | -0.5 | 1.14
Gemma Inc | 29.3 | 31.3 | -0.5 | 1.02
Do Acc | 29.4 | 31.3 | -0.5 | 1.02
Amer Gth | 47.1 | 50.1 | .. | 0.98
Euro Gth | 47.4 | 50.4 | -0.1 | 0.21
Far East | 48.1 | 51.2 | +0.3 | 0.21

CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES LTD
Crown House, Woking, GU21 1XW
04862 5833
Amer Tst | 100.4 | 106.5 | +0.2 | 0.92
Canadian Gth | 16.8 | 18.2 | .. | 1.50
European Tst | 87.7 | 94.6 | .. | ..
Growth Tst | 229.4 | 244.8 | -7.1 | 3.43
High Income | 270.8 | 284.1 | -4.9 | 5.54
Int Tech Tst | 172.1 | 186.0 | -1.5 | ..
Japanese Tst | 172.1 | 186.0 | -1.5 | ..

CRUSADER UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD
Redgate, Surrey RH2 9BL
0737-242424
European Gth | 43.4 | 46.6e | -0.4 | 3.00
Euro Spec Sits | 34.0 | 36.5 | -0.3 | 1.30
International | 42.6 | 45.9 | -0.3 | 3.50
N Amer Gth | 34.6 | 37.3 | +0.1 | 1.00
Pacific Gth | 46.2 | 49.7e | -0.6 | 0.50
UK Gth Acc | 51.6 | 55.7 | -1.0 | 0.50
Do Dist | 50.4 | 54.2 | -1.1 | 4.80
UK Income | 50.9 | 54.8 | .. | ..

EFM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
4, Melville Crescent, Edinburgh
031-226 3062
American Fd | 92.5 | 96.2e | -0.1 | 1.76
Capital Fd | 102.7 | 113.0 | -2.7 | 1.50
Dividend Fd | 21.1 | 22.4 | -0.2 | 4.52
Income Fd | 145.9 | 154.6 | -3.2 | 4.23
High Dist Fd | 125.5 | 137.7e | -3.0 | 5.26
International | 166.7 | 177.8 | -3.1 | 1.27
Pacific Fd | 17.5 | 19.2 | +0.4 | 0.00
Resources Fd | 20.3 | 21.8 | -0.7 | 0.00
Smlr Jap Co | 33.2 | 33.4 | -0.4 | ..
Tokyo Fd | 160.2 | 170.6 | -2.5 | 0.00
Ex Amer 2 | 114.5 | 121.7 | .. | 0.20
Ex Pacific 4 | 253.5 | 261.5 | .. | 0.36
Ex Smlr Jap 4 | 204.4 | 211.0e | .. | 0.10

EAGLE STAR UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ
(0242) 221311
UK Balan Inc | 72.7 | 77.1 | -1.7 | 3.16
Do Acc | 75.1 | 79.7 | -1.7 | 3.05
UK Gth Acc | 103.2 | 108.5 | -2.2 | 2.51
UK High Inc | 83.4 | 88.2 | -1.8 | 4.58
N Amer Acc | 59.4 | 63.4 | +0.4 | 1.10
Far East Acc | 97.8 | 104.3 | -1.1 | 0.77
European Acc | 65.6 | 70.0 | -0.4 | 1.48
Gilt Inc Acc | 58.2 | 61.8 | +0.1 | 7.99
Do Acc | 63.8 | 67.7 | +0.1 | 7.99
Int Spec Sits | 34.1 | 36.4 | -0.6 | 1.86

ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD
Admin Centre Heragon House Romford RM1 3LS
0708 68555
Endurance | 103.6 | 110.3e | .. | 1.20

EQUITABLE UNITS ADMINISTRATION
Walton Street Aylesbury, HP21 7QW
0296 431488
Equit Pelican | 80.3 | 85.5e | -0.3 | 3.62
Equit Phoenix | 84.4 | 89.8e | -0.3 | 4.06
Gt/Fxd Int Inc | 52.1 | 57.1 | +0.1 | 9.47
Tst Of Inv Tsts | 74.9 | 79.7 | +0.6 | 1.97
Spec Sits Tst | 82.4 | 87.7 | -0.5 | 2.01
Ntn Amer Tst | 47.9 | 50.1 | -1.1 | 1.76
Per East Tst | 64.2 | 68.3 | -1.1 | 0.45
Int Growth | 44.7 | 47.6 | -0.3 | 1.68
European Tst | 37.8 | 40.1 | -0.2 | 1.75

EQUITY & LAW
St. George Hse Corporation St. Coventry CV1 1GD
0203 553231
UK Gth Acc | 155.7 | 166.5e | -3.5 | 3.68
Do Inc | 130.7 | 139.7e | -3.0 | 3.68
Higher Inc Acc | 284.6 | 304.3e | -5.2 | 4.84
Do Inc | 214.5 | 233.5e | -4.0 | 4.84
Gilt/Fixed Acc | 111.1 | 116.9 | +0.2 | 7.96
Do Inc | 88.3 | 90.8 | +0.1 | 7.96
N Amer Acc | 98.6 | 105.5e | -0.6 | 0.20
Far East Acc | 170.2 | 182.0e | -2.4 | 0.00
Euro Tst Acc | 118.7 | 126.9 | -0.5 | 0.81
Gen Tst | 230.4 | 246.4 | -5.7 | 3.66
Int Excel | 35.4 | 37.8 | -1.0 | 3.30

F & C UNIT MANAGEMENT
1, Laurence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0BA
01-623 4680
US Smlr Co | 45.5 | 48.5e | +0.3 | 0.16
UK Inc Fd | 92.2 | 97.5 | -1.3 | 4.70
Far East Fd | 73.5 | 78.2 | -1.0 | 0.00
Overseas Inc | 56.5 | 60.2 | -0.3 | 4.42
Fxd Interest | 56.1 | 57.9 | -0.3 | 9.45
Natural Res Fd | 53.5 | 57.0 | -0.5 | 2.96
European Inc | 58.2 | 59.8 | -0.8 | 3.73
Financials Fd | 39.6 | 42.2 | -0.5 | 3.55
Int Tech Fd | 87.8 | 93.5 | -1.0 | 0.14

FS INVESTMENT MANAGERS
186, West George St, Glasgow G2 2PA
041-332 3133
Balan Gth Acc | 58.1 | 61.8 | -1.6 | ..
Do Inc | 56.7 | 60.3 | -1.6 | 0.40
Hi Yield Acc | 29.7 | 30.5 | -0.4 | ..
Do Inc | 27.8 | 29.7 | -0.3 | 5.10
Inc Gth Acc | 51.2 | 54.5 | -0.5 | ..
Do Inc | 46.7 | 49.7 | -0.5 | 4.00
Serv Co Acc | 61.9 | 65.9 | -2.5 | ..
Do Inc | 54.7 | 58.2 | -2.5 | 0.30
Amer Gth Acc | 18.8 | 20.0 | -0.1 | ..
Do Inc | 18.8 | 20.0 | -0.1 | 1.00
Euro Gth Acc | 14.3 | 15.2 | -0.1 | 1.00
Do Inc | 14.3 | 15.2 | -0.1 | 1.00

FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD
River Walk, Tonbridge, TN9 1DY
Cosmos 0800 414161
American | 97.0 | 93.1e | +0.6 | 1.14
Amer Equity Inc | 25.9 | 27.7e | +0.2 | 4.92
Amer Spec Sit | 35.7 | 38.2 | .. | 0.80
Australia | 21.1 | 22.5e | -0.3 | 2.82
European | 49.2 | 52.6 | -0.5 | ..
European Inc | 20.0 | 21.4 | -0.1 | 4.92
Gilt/Fxd Interest | 39.4 | 42.2 | .. | 9.47
Growth & Inc | 104.1 | 111.4 | -0.6 | 4.49
Japan Spec Sit | 59.5 | 57.3 | +0.6 | ..
Japan | 135.9 | 145.9 | -2.7 | 0.00
Managed Inc | 106.1 | 113.0 | +0.5 | 0.56
Max Inc Equity | 97.2 | 104.0 | .. | 5.04
Famous Name | 36.3 | 38.8 | -0.1 | 2.83
SE Asia | 31.0 | 33.2 | .. | 0.00
Spec Sit | 232.2 | 248.4 | -0.5 | 0.80
Eastern Opps | 19.4 | 20.7 | .. | ..

FRANKLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT
3, London Wall Bldgs, London Wall, London EC2M 5NQ
01-638 5181
Amer/Can Inc | 140.7 | 148.8 | -1.4 | ..
Do Acc | 143.7 | 152.0 | -1.5 | ..
Amer Turn Inc | 147.8 | 156.4 | -1.5 | 1.03
Do Acc | 153.3 | 162.2 | -0.9 | 1.03
Capital Inc | 237.5 | 251.3 | -2.7 | 2.11
Do Acc | 292.8 | 309.8 | -3.2 | 2.11
Conv/Gth Inc | 116.1 | 122.8 | +0.1 | 5.12
Do Acc | 129.0 | 136.5 | +0.1 | 5.12
European Inc | 61.1 | 64.6 | -0.6 | 1.08
Do Acc | 61.3 | 64.9 | -0.6 | 1.08
Extra Inc Inc | 205.0 | 217.7 | -2.5 | 4.55
Do Acc | 229.2 | 242.5 | -3.1 | 4.55
Financial Acc | 38.6 | 40.8e | -0.4 | 0.56
Do Inc | 38.4 | 40.6e | -0.4 | 0.56
Income Tst | 135.3 | 144.2e | -2.6 | 4.89
Do Acc | 150.2 | 158.9e | -2.9 | 4.89
Int Growth Inc | 121.0 | 128.0e | -1.1 | ..
Do Acc | 134.4 | 142.2e | -1.1 | ..
Japan/Gen Inc | 93.6 | 98.9 | -0.8 | ..
Do Acc | 94.6 | 100.0 | -0.8 | ..
Monthly Inc Fd | 105.6 | 111.7e | -1.3 | 5.61
PEP 87 | 51.5 | 54.5 | -0.7 | 2.57
Recovery | 145.7 | 155.2 | -3.1 | 1.27
Do Acc | 160.3 | 169.8 | -3.4 | 1.27

FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS
Castle Street, Salisbury, Wilts SP1 3SH
Dealing:0722 411411 Admin:0722 411822
Equity Dist | 201.0 | 213.2e | -5.2 | 2.82
Do Acc | 345.8 | 367.0e | -9.2 | 2.82
Euro Gth Dist | 45.9 | 49.8 | +0.3 | 1.00
Do Acc | 46.9 | 49.8 | +0.3 | 1.00
Fxd Interest Di | 116.1 | 122.5e | +0.3 | 10.05
Do Acc | 147.0 | 156.3e | +0.3 | 10.05
Int Gth Dist | 47.1 | 50.0 | +0.2 | 1.50
Do Acc | 47.1 | 50.0 | +0.2 | 1.50
Nth Amer Dist | 100.4 | 106.7 | +0.6 | 0.94
Do Acc | 101.9 | 107.3 | +0.9 | 2.41
Pac Basin Dist | 147.6 | 156.8 | -1.2 | 0.24
Do Acc | 147.6 | 157.0 | -1.2 | 0.24
Steward Dist | 47.0 | 49.8 | -0.3 | 4.62
Do Acc | 47.7 | 49.8 | -0.3 | 4.62
Steward Inc Di | 47.0 | 49.8 | -0.3 | 4.62
Do Acc | 47.7 | 49.8 | -0.3 | 4.62
N Am Fixed Di | 45.3 | 48.1 | +0.1 | 2.08
Do Acc | 45.3 | 48.1 | +0.1 | 2.08

GT UNIT MANAGERS
8th Floor, 8, Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YJ
01-283 2575 Dealing 01-626 9431
Amer Spec Sit | 48.5 | 48.5 | .. | 0.80
UK Cap Inc | 105.0 | 111.8 | -2.9 | 2.80
Do Acc | 153.4 | 163.2 | -4.3 | 2.80
Income Fd | 91.7 | 98.0 | -1.8 | 5.50
International | 132.6 | 141.1 | -0.9 | 0.50
US & General | 39.4 | 42.0 | +0.2 | 1.10
Japan & Gen | 234.4 | 249.4 | -3.1 | 0.10
Far East Gen | 87.6 | 93.2 | -1.1 | 0.20
European Fd | 189.9 | 212.7 | -2.9 | 0.10
Germany Fd | 50.5 | 53.9e | -0.1 | 1.20
Int Inc Fd | 45.6 | 48.6 | -0.6 | 0.40
Wld Spec Sit | 52.9 | 56.3 | -0.8 | 1.80

GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS
Garmore House, 16-18 Monument St, London EC3R 8AJ
01-623 1212 Dealing 01-623 5786 Dealing
01-623 5805 Investor Service (Freephone)
0800 289836
Amer Growth Tst | 63.4 | 68.2 | +0.7 | 0.70
Australian Tst | 20.1 | 21.6 | +0.1 | 0.00
British Acc | 82.0 | 86.7 | -2.2 | 2.17
Do Dist | 82.8 | 86.9 | -2.0 | 2.17
Commod & Shar | 54.7 | 58.8 | -0.3 | 0.65
European Tst | 41.3 | 44.5 | -1.0 | 0.75
Extra Income | 53.8 | 57.9e | -2.0 | 4.86
Far East Tst | 115.0 | 123.7 | +1.3 | 0.50
Fxd Interest Fd | 27.7 | 29.5e | -0.1 | 9.74
Financial Tst | 22.1 | 23.8 | .. | 0.30
Int Fxd Interest | 24.0 | 25.8 | .. | 9.47
Global Fd Acc | 149.2 | 160.6e | .. | 0.40
Do Dist | 141.1 | 151.9e | .. | 0.40
Gold Shares Tst | 15.4 | 16.5e | .. | 0.07
Hedged Amer | 28.1 | 31.2 | .. | 0.50
High Income | 27.4 | 29.5e | -0.8 | 5.76
Hong Kong Tst | 29.0 | 31.2 | -0.7 | 0.00
Income Fd | 37.2 | 40.0 | -0.8 | 5.76
Japan Tst | 111.7 | 120.1 | +2.4 | 0.00
Managed Expt | 232.8 | 249.2 | -4.3 | 2.56
Oil & Energy | 35.2 | 37.9 | -0.6 | 2.53
Spec Sit Tst | 96.7 | 104.0 | -1.5 | 0.90
UK Sm Co Rec | 97.0 | 104.4e | -2.7 | 0.30
Cheltenham UK | 22.3 | 23.6 | -0.5 | 1.92

GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGERS
Shaddelow Hse, 4, Battle Bridge Lane, London SE1 2HR
01-378 7979 Dealing 01-588 0526
Amer Tst | 51.2 | 54.7 | +0.4 | 1.30
American Inc | 51.3 | 54.8 | -0.1 | 0.43
European Gth | 46.9 | 49.8e | +0.5 | 1.18
Gold & Mines | 54.0 | 57.1 | -0.4 | 0.59
Japan Gth | 49.8 | 53.4e | -0.2 | ..
Pacific Inc | 63.1 | 67.5 | -0.8 | 3.29
Pacific Strat | 37.1 | 39.6 | -0.2 | 0.41
UK Prog Inc | 95.5 | 99.8c | -0.7 | 4.60
UK Spec Opps | 123.6 | 132.0 | -1.0 | 0.05
Gt British | 32.9 | 35.0 | -0.9 | 1.76

GRE UNIT MANAGERS
Regal Buildings, Bridge, CT4 5DN
01-889 9663
Gt/Fxd Interest | 121.9 | 126.7 | +0.3 | 8.77
Gth Equity | 204.1 | 216.0e | -4.5 | 2.66
Guardian | 205.1 | 217.1e | -4.3 | 3.73
Income | 112.9 | 119.5e | -0.2 | 0.55
Pacific | 222.5 | 236.5 | -3.4 | 0.00
Prop Shares | 303.3 | 321.0 | -7.1 | 1.24
Smaller Co | 240.3 | 254.4 | -5.1 | 0.00
European Tst | 202.7 | 214.5 | -1.1 | 1.21

GUINNESS MAHON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
PO Box 442, 32 St Mary-at-Hill, London EC3P 3AJ
01-623 3333
Global Gth | 34.1 | 36.3e | -0.2 | 0.90
High Income | 69.8 | 74.3e | .. | 5.00
N Amer Tst | 79.5 | 84.6 | -0.8 | 0.83
Pacific Gth | 34.3 | 36.5e | -0.1 | 0.50
Recovery | 257.3 | 273.8e | -5.2 | 2.85
St Vincent Inc | 90.9 | 97.2 | -0.7 | 5.78
St Vinc US Gth | 49.1 | 51.2 | -0.3 | 1.14
Temp B Sm Co | 252.4 | 268.3 | .. | 2.79
Euro Gth Tst | 38.7 | 41.0 | -0.5 | 0.80

HAMBROS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Admin: 5, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex
Dealing: 0277 227300 Dealing 0277 261010
Amer Equity Inc | 48.3 | 51.2 | -0.5 | 6.49
Canadian Tst | 35.7 | 37.9e | -0.2 | 0.00
Equity Income | 93.5 | 98.2e | -1.7 | 5.58
European Tst | 74.5 | 78.0 | -0.4 | 1.16
High Income | 74.5 | 78.0 | -1.1 | 5.22
Int Sits Tst | 42.5 | 45.4 | -0.3 | 1.43
Japan/Fr East | 96.2 | 102.1e | -0.8 | 0.01
Mid Amer Tst | 90.5 | 93.3e | -0.1 | 1.31
Recovery Tst | 58.3 | 62.3 | -0.5 | 2.66
Res & Assets | 36.3 | 38.7 | -0.1 | 1.07
Scandinavian | 69.1 | 73.9 | -0.3 | 1.22
Smlr Co | 31.8 | 33.7e | -0.3 | 1.22
UK New Gen | 35.8 | 38.0 | -0.7 | 1.18

HENDERSON
Premier UT Administration Advsrs 5, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex, CM13 1BY
Amer Gth | 78.7 | 84.7e | +0.8 | 0.00
Amer Smlr Co | 94.5 | 97.1e | +0.3 | 0.00
Australian | 74.6 | 80.0e | -1.8 | 1.17
Best of World | 47.9 | 51.0 | .. | 2.47
Cap Gth Inc | 57.5 | 61.7 | -0.9 | 2.33
Do Acc | 67.4 | 72.2 | -1.0 | 2.33
European | 115.5 | 123.5e | -0.4 | 0.65
Euro Inc Tst | 39.9 | 43.4 | -0.4 | 5.24
Euro Smlr Co | 78.3 | 83.8e | -1.0 | 0.15
Extra Income | 200.8 | 215.2 | -0.5 | 3.89
Financial Tst | 196.1 | 192.9e | -1.8 | 0.00
Fxd Interest | 58.5 | 60.8 | +0.2 | 9.55
Gilt Tst | 41.5 | 44.5 | +0.5 | 8.75
Global Health | 134.1 | 143.5 | -0.4 | 0.00
Global Incm/Gth | 54.4 | 58.6 | -0.4 | 4.62
Global Resrce | 69.1 | 74.4 | -0.3 | 0.00
Global Tech | 93.2 | 100.3 | +1.7 | 0.13
Gold | 104.9 | 112.4 | -0.5 | 0.00
High Income | 205.1 | 220.0e | -4.4 | 4.27
Hong Kong | 48.1 | 51.6 | -1.5 | 0.00
Inc & Gth Inc | 161.6 | 173.3e | -3.2 | 4.70
Income Asset | 111.4 | 119.5 | -2.4 | 4.61
International | 137.4 | 147.7e | -3.6 | 0.30
Jap Spec Sits | 178.5 | 192.0e | -3.5 | 0.00
Japan Tst | 154.0 | 165.6 | -2.7 | 0.00
Nth American | 107.6 | 116.0 | +1.6 | 0.62
Pacific Smlr Co | 71.0 | 76.4 | -1.9 | 0.00
Pension Man | 68.4 | 72.9 | -0.1 | 4.92
Recovery Tst | 123.6 | 133.0e | -2.5 | 1.30
Sing & Malay | 39.9 | 43.0 | -0.9 | 0.19
Smlr Co Gen | 154.9 | 166.2e | -3.2 | 0.00
Spec Sits Inc | 157.9 | 169.8 | -1.7 | 1.02
Do Acc | 223.6 | 243.5 | -5.9 | 1.02
Worldwide | 401.3 | 431.4e | +0.7 | 2.57
Yield Spec Sits | 93.3 | 101.4 | +0.1 | 1.39
Global Tst Exempt | 61.0 | 64.3c | .. | 0.00
Hi Inc Exempt | 141.8 | 149.3c | -1.2 | 3.69
Japan Exempt | 160.5 | 168.9 | -1.1 | 0.01
N Amer Exempt | 112.7 | 120.0 | -0.1 | 0.00
Pacific Exempt | 151.8 | 159.9e | -2.0 | 0.00
Smlr Co Exempt | 155.0 | 163.2c | -1.5 | 1.07
Spec Sit Exempt | 32.4 | 34.9e | -0.9 | 2.62
Spirit Of Eqty | 33.9 | 36.5 | +0.1 | 2.62

HILL SAMUEL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
MLA Tower, Addiscombe Road, Croydon CR9 5HL 01-686 9010
British Units | 53.8 | 57.6e | -1.5 | 3.05
Capital Units | 66.1 | 102.8 | -2.3 | 2.68
Dollar Units | 161.1 | 161.7e | -0.3 | 2.01
European | 106.1 | 113.6 | -0.8 | 0.00
Far East | 116.6 | 123.7 | -1.8 | 2.28
Financial | 356.7 | 381.9e | -4.9 | 2.32
GF Hambr Inc | 29.9 | 32.1c | -0.1 | 7.26
Gilt | 40.0 | 42.8 | -0.2 | 8.40
High Yield | 74.2 | 79.4c | -1.0 | 4.76
Income | 87.5 | 93.7e | -2.7 | 5.41
International | 115.5 | 123.7 | -1.3 | 1.95
Japan Gen | 44.1 | 47.2 | .. | 0.00
Real Resource | 37.8 | 40.5 | -0.5 | 1.45
Security | 185.4 | 198.3 | -1.6 | 2.66
Smaller Co | 108.8 | 116.5e | -1.5 | 1.01
Spec Sits | 185.4 | 198.3 | -1.6 | 2.66
US Smlr Co | 19.4 | 20.8 | -0.1 | 1.20

IBH FUND MANAGERS
26, Finsbury Street Hythe Kent CT21 5AJ
01-236 4210
Gilt & Gdnss | 117.7 | 124.8e | -5.1 | 1.50
Inc Plus | 84.4 | 89.2e | .. | 3.35
Cap Gth | 65.3 | 67.3e | .. | 1.27
Inv Tst Fnd | 70.7 | 74.9e | .. | 1.27

KEY FUND MANAGERS
25, High Street Hythe Kent CT21 5AJ
01-236 4210
Gilt & Gdnss | 47.4 | 50.6 | -1.1 | 0.92
Gt/Fxd Interest | 69.8 | 75.5 | .. | 9.95
Higher Inc | 129.8 | 135.2 | -0.6 | 6.97
Income | 74.4 | 79.2 | -0.9 | 3.57
International | 47.0 | 50.2e | -0.6 | 0.53

KLEINWORT BARRINGTON LIMITED
10 Fenchurch St London EC3
01-623 8000 Dealers01-623 0778
Income Funds
Gth Yield Inc | 111.8 | 115.3 | +0.2 | 7.92
Do Acc | 208.6 | 215.1 | +0.2 | 7.92
Gtcoml Inc | 124.6 | 132.8e | -0.7 | 6.08
Do Acc | 219.0 | 233.0 | -1.3 | 6.08
High Yield Inc | 98.4 | 104.7 | +0.4 | 5.72
Do Acc | 208.5 | 219.7 | +1.0 | 5.72
Capital Gth Funds
Asn Sm Co Inc | 49.9 | 43.5 | .. | 0.69
Do Acc | 49.9 | 43.5 | .. | 0.69
N American Inc | 40.0 | 42.6 | +0.3 | 1.11
Do Acc | 46.7 | 49.7 | +0.2 | 1.11
European Inc | 78.6 | 83.6 | -1.1 | 2.00
Do Acc | 97.7 | 103.9 | -1.3 | 2.00
Far Eastern Inc | 21.7 | 23.0 | +0.1 | 1.76
Do Acc | 28.1 | 29.9 | +0.1 | 1.76
General Inc | 168.0 | 176.8 | -0.4 | 3.33
Do Acc | 231.2 | 246.0 | -0.5 | 3.33
Japan Inc | 105.7 | 112.4c | -1.0 | 1.72
Do Acc | 105.7 | 112.4c | -1.0 | 1.72
Pacific Inc | 83.1 | 87.5 | -0.8 | 3.29
Pacific Strat | 37.1 | 39.6 | -0.2 | 0.41
UK Prog Inc | 95.5 | 99.8c | -0.7 | 4.60
UK Spec Opps | 123.6 | 132.0 | -1.0 | 0.05
Gt British | 32.9 | 35.0 | -0.9 | 1.76

LAE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
65, George Street, Edinburgh EH2 2JG
031-226 3586
European | 35.2 | 37.4 | -0.3 | 1.00
Extra Income | 20.3 | 21.6e | -0.2 | 6.88
Far East | 17.3 | 18.4 | -0.2 | 0.00
Income & Gth | 52.5 | 55.8 | -0.3 | 5.43
Japan | 32.9 | 34.7e | -0.6 | 0.65
Japan | 46.5 | 49.5 | -0.4 | ..
N Amer Equity | 20.1 | 21.4e | -0.1 | 0.00
UK Equity | 45.0 | 47.9e | -0.9 | 1.75

LEGAL & GENERAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
5, Rayleigh Road, Brentwood Essex
Dealings: 0277 227300 Dealings: 0277 261010
Equity Dist | 272.3 | 289.7 | .. | 2.51
Equity Acc | 438.8 | 466.8 | .. | 2.51

LLOYDS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Registrars Dpt, Canley-By-Sea, Worthing, W Sussex
0634 838099
Balanced | 181.6 | 193.1e | -5.3 | 3.47
Capital | 335.0 | 356.3e | -9.8 | 3.47
Con Euro Gt | 37.5 | 39.8e | -0.8 | 0.23
Do Acc | 37.5 | 40.2e | -0.8 | 0.23
Energy Int | 51.3 | 54.5 | -1.1 | 3.55
Do Acc | 54.3 | 58.2 | -1.2 | 3.55
Extra Income | 188.3 | 176.9e | -2.8 | 5.68
Do Acc | 318

Portfolio Gold

From your portfolio card check your eight share price movements on this page only. Add them up to give you your overall total and check this against the daily dividend figure. If it matches, you have won outright or a share of the total daily prize money stated. If you are a winner follow the claim procedure on the back of your card. You must always have your card available when claiming. Game rules appear on the back of your card.

No.	Company	Group	Gain or loss
1	Glenfree	Property	
2	Guinness (aa)	Breweries	
3	Bryan	Foods	
4	Hillsdown (aa)	Foods	
5	Brush Gas (aa)	Oil & Gas	
6	Office Elect Mach	Industrials L-R	
7	Greycoat	Property	
8	BICC (aa)	Electricals	
9	AB Food (aa)	Foods	
10	Lasrad	Industrials L-R	
11	Fitzwilton	Industrials E-K	
12	Global N Res	Oil & Gas	
13	Bilton (P)	Property	
14	Newman Tonks	Building,Roads	
15	Textured Jersey	Textiles	
16	Hay (Norman)	Industrials E-K	
17	Barker (Charles)	Paper,Print,Adv	
18	Mangmeste Bronze	Industrials L-R	
19	Barclays (aa)	Banks,Discount	
20	Hampton Tst	Property	
21	Gordon Russell	Industrials E-K	
22	Ben Bros	Building,Roads	
23	Reckitt Colman (aa)	Industrials L-R	
24	Jaguar (aa)	Motors,Aircraft	
25	Dalgety (aa)	Industrials A-D	
26	Norcros	Industrials L-R	
27	Bolton	Textiles	
28	Argyll (aa)	Foods	
29	Howard Hldgs	Building,Roads	
30	Costain	Building,Roads	
31	Tunstall	Electricals	
32	Allied-Lyons (aa)	Breweries	
33	King & Shaxson	Banks, Discount	
34	Thomson T-Line	Industrials S-Z	
35	Park Foods	Foods	
36	Kershaw (A)	Industrials E-K	
37	Gieves	Industrials E-K	
38	FKI Elect	Electricals	
39	Banks (Sidney C)	Foods	
40	Bowthorpe	Electricals	
41	Blue Circle (aa)	Building,Roads	
42	Mountleigh	Property	
43	Fisher (James)	Shipping	
44	Bristol	Newspapers,Pub	

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Weekly Dividend

Please make a note of your daily totals for the weekly dividend of £8,000 in today's newspaper.

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	Weekly Total

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STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

Rally at the close

(Current market price multiplied by the number of shares in issue for the stock quoted)
ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began November 9. Dealings ended yesterday. §Contango day November 23. Settlement day November 30.
§Forward bargains are permitted on two previous business days.

Prices recorded are at market close. Changes are calculated on the previous day's close. Where one price is quoted, it is a middle price. Changes, yields and price earnings ratios are based on middle prices. (aa) denotes Alpha Stocks. (VOLUMES PAGE 26)

Portfolio Gold

DAILY DIVIDEND £8,000	WEEKLY DIVIDEND £8,000
Claims required for +46 points	Claims required for +211 points

Claimants should ring 0254-53272

BREWERIES

1987 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Change	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
471	308	Allied Lyons (aa)	397	399	+4	15.6	4.7	9.8
197	125	Bass (aa)	167	168	+1	9.41	5.6	11.7
77	26	Bellhaven	36	37	-2½	10	27	13.1
233	124	Bodington	135	135		5.1	3.8	14.6
390	325	Brown (Matthew)	375	380	-5	19.2b	5.1	12.5
199	142	Burtons	143	143		9.6	6.7	10.3
159	140	Bulmer (H P)	143	143		7.9	5.5	10.8
185	148	Buttonwood Brew	148	148		8.8	5.9	23.1
505	415	Clark (Matthew)	415	420	-5	12.3	3.0	13.9
391	372	Dewhurst (JJA)	380	380		40	10.5	20.3
279	190	Greenall Whitley	260	268		7.8	4.2	11.1
483	395	Greene King	453	468		19.9	4.3	23.5
300	255	Gunness (aa)	283	284	+6	12.6b	5.3	15.5
795	472	Hardys & Hansons	780	790		26.4	3.4	15.3
98	68	Highland Dist	68	68		3.4	4.4	11.7
183	136	Invergordon Dist	147	155		5.5	3.6	9.8
348	145	Irish Dist	145	145	-5	9.6	3.5	
154	113	Marston Thompson	126	128		5.6	4.4	18.7
360	345	Morland	345	345	-5	19	5.5	21.2
420	131	SA Breweries	320	330				
200	178	Scot & Nwe (aa)	178	178		10.9	6.1	11.6
488	455	Shaks Lee	455	455		25	5.5	17.5
280	251	Whitbread 'A' (aa)	264	265		12.5	4.8	16.9
298	248	Do 'B'	264	265		12.5	4.8	16.9
541	395	Wolverh (John)	523	530	-14	22.3	6.8	9.7
129	105	Youngstall	110	11		17.1	16	22.3
240	195	Aberdeen Trusts	197	198		10.1	5.9	14.2
185	63	Pentamoss	115	118		3.5	3.2	16.5
88	80	Phoenix Timber	88	88		2.1	2.3	11.1
370	270	Pictons	370	370		21.5	5.8	8.6
574	341	RMC Gp (aa)	466	475		26.4	5.5	13.5
367	358	Ransomes	358	358		19.4	5.4	10.2
358	358	Redland (aa)	358	358		17.8	4.9	10.8
206	97	Rotaprint	120	120		4.9	4.9	10.2
116	75	Rugby Group	103	103		10.5	5.1	13.5
216	175	Sandall Perkins	175	175		9.5	5.4	9.8
250	136	Sharpe & Fisher	175	185		4.5	2.5	17.8
138	88	Smart (J)	88	88		4.2	4.8	11.7
416	287	Staveley	287	287		15.3	4.4	12.0
348	193	Tarmac (aa)	212	212	+1	13.4	4.3	10.2
548	287	Tayle Woodrow	348	348		19.4	4.3	10.2
407	197	Tilbury Group	197	197		8.9	4.8	8.2
223	200	Travis & Arnold	200	200		7.4	2.5	12.6
203	202	Trent	117	117		1.8	1.3	17.9
413	205	Tunnel	225	240		13.6b	5.7	19.7
615	565	Warrington	450	450	+10	18.2	3.4	15.8
208	98	Ward Group	132	132		3.4	2.5	13.8
177	77	Ward Hldgs	138	138		2.9	2.0	13.7
171	79	Warrington	79	79	-2	2.9		13.5
388	288	Watts, Blake	288	288		7.8	2.9	15.0
315	157	Wagons	157	157		5.8	4.6	10.4
161	131	Wilson Bowden	140	143		4.7	3.3	
445	242	Wilson (Connolly)	270	275		4.1	1.5	14.2
304	163	Wimpey (George)	175	175		7.9	4.4	18.2
99	81	Yeoman	95	98	+1			11.0

BUILDING, ROADS

1987 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Change	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
548	128	Abbey	160	166				
170	75	Aberdeen Constr	170	174	-2	17.1	6.1	15.7
88½	28	Amec	85	87		16.8	5.9	10.8
48	28	Argyll Ltd	40	43		14	3.3	17.8
68	48	Arrowfile	58	110		3.8	3.8	23.5
462	164	Ashtenden	218	225	+1	8.2	3.7	12.6
452	372	BPB Ind (aa)	398	402	+1	15.6	3.9	11.1
310	97	Baggeridge Brick	97	97		3.6	3.7	11.6
34½	31	Bailey (Geo) Constr	32	34		1.6	4.1	8.1
152	134	Barratt Dev.	134	134		12.7	7.6	10.2
66	66	Bremner	66	66		3.2	4.8	10.2
210	57	Bellway	190	190		9.1	5.7	8.2
85	76	Bellwinch	85	90		4.4	5.0	7.9
530	134	Berkeley Gp	203	212		4	3.4	15.2
165	55	Berry Bros	82	82	+2	4.5	5.2	24.5
575	157	Blackburn	250	260		10.5	4.1	20.1
256	156	Blue Circle (aa)	233	237	+5	12.5	5.3	9.8
425	156	Brayton PLC	155	175		8.2	5.0	
76	53	Bredero	155	175	+5	6.9	5.7	22.8
81	14½	Brown & Jackson	43	45	-1			
148	79	Bryant	109	110		3.8	3.5	13.9
21	11	Bunzl & Hsiken	12	14	-1			15
202	110	CRH	128	130	-5	5.2	4.7	13.8
210	178	Cakebread Robey	178	178		10.1	7.3	13.9
210	178	Caradon	215	221	+2	11.4	5.4	10.8
131	91	Church Charles	95	95		2.4	2.5	10.2
176	142	Cowlin Grp	160	160		6.5	4.2	17.6
355	85	Crouson PLC	115	120		2.4	2.0	67.2
387	198	Costain	252	255		12.2	4.8	9.2
462	132	Countryside	167	175		7.5	4.3	13.5
202	158	Crest Nicholson	165	167	+1	7.5b	4.5	10.5
118	65	Crouchy James	65	65	+1	4.1b	6.3	
210	176	Douglas (RM)	210	210		11.5	5.5	17.5
208	118	Eran	188	188		6.9	4.6	17.6
188	127	Fairclough Hldg	188	188		8.5	4.5	13.1
366	147	Ellis & Everard	154	157		6.4	4.1	12.1
353	114	Ennis	123	130		6.1	4.7	10.5
188	118	Fenco-Mensap	118	118		13.4	11.3	10.6
188	106	Halstead (James)	106	106		8.9	8.4	10.4
230	186	Hickson	119	125		5.7	4.7	15.0
116	72½	Hoskins DMSD	108½					
195½	156	Ibstock Johnsen	195	196		6.1	3.2	10.5
587	359	Laporte (aa)	360	365		14.9	4.1	12.1
249	117	Leigh	150	150		3.7	3.7	27.4
24½	11	Marsh Hydro	12	12		2.5		
130	75	Mowlem	125	125		5.2	7.8	17.3
102	75	Redpath Hldgs	100	100		5.8	5.8	20.3
252½	102	Redpath	177	178		4.1	2.3	18.1
488	92	Sequa	335	345				
205	158	Shanks & Mcewan	205	210				19.0
485	258	Wolseley-Hughes	270	280		14.9	5.8	10.1
165	61½	Yorkshire Chem	238	245		7.5	3.1	15.8
		Yule Catto	90	100		4.1b	4.3	13.8

CINEMAS, TV

1987 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Change	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
549	385	Anglia TV 'A'	380	390	-5	16.4	5.9	7.8
685	370	Central TV	415	430		24.7	5.8	10.6
52½	39	Grampian	47	51		3.2	6.5	8.8
392	283	HTV N/V	217	225	-5	13.4	5.9	8.2
65	44	LWT (Hldgs)	63	63		3.8	5.9	8.4
610	240	Scot TV	360	365	-15	21.2	5.8	6.7
454	208	TVS	360	370	-10	14.4	3.9	8.8
161	38	TSW	38	38		2.4	6.3	8.7
210	170	Thames TV	202	205	-3	17.6	8.6	6.7
404	210	TV-AM	215	220	-5	13	5.9	9.1
638	354	Tyne Tees TV	448	458	-5	30.8	6.7	9.4
170	78	Ulster TV	78	80		5.1	6.3	9.7
403	150	Yorkshire TV	210	225	-5	9.6	4.4	11.6

DRAPERY, STORES

1987 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Change	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
493	111	Alexon	370	380	-5	8.2	3.0	12.1
196	78	Arthur Bay	87	87	-1			17.7
164	55	Aggressive 'A'	73	77		3.7	4.9	18.8
213½	87	Ackley (Laura)	106	113		4.3	3.8	16.7
238	87	Baxter (James) 'A'	143	143	-1	4.2	3.2	15.5
53	20	Do 'A'	24	28				26.6
135	66	Blacks Leis	116	121		3.6		
570	368	Body Shop	580	610	-50	2.9	0.5	69.9
96	66	Brenner	66	72		2.7	3.8	10.8
695	466	Brown (A)	715	725	-5	21.3	2.9	31.2
358	211	Burton (M)	230	235	+2	9.8	4.3	14.1
158	42	Carters 'A'	43	45	+2	2.1	3.3	12.8
195	95	Clydel (S)	95	95	-4	4.5	4.2	24.5
630	430	Cheich	470	480		13.7	2.9	17.3
424	210	Coats Viyella (aa)	340	345	-11	10.6	4.4	11.4
298	145	Coorts (Fund) 'A'	245	255	-5	6.7	4.5	14.3
265	216	DAMS Group 'A'	245	255	-10	6.9	4.5	13.4
83	56	Dawson (J)	56	56		1.4	2.4	12.7
195	95	Dunns Grp (aa)	222	224	-5	5.5	2.5	11.5
283	133	Dunlop	195	195	-5	5.6	2.8	11.9
198	48	EPA Gp	128	130	-5	3.2	2.5	61
152½	45	Ems & Goldstein	47	48		1.6	3.3	15.1
210	178	Fords (Wembleton)	195	205		14.4	7.2	25.9
265	168	Empire Stores	265	265		6.7	2.5	14.2
345	201	Etam	345	350		9.6	2.7	19.4
331	163	Fine Art Dev	197	190		7.5	4.0	14.1
246	207	Fenwick'er	246	265		9.9	3.9	8.1
264	151	Freestons	190	197		5.8	3.8	10.9
130	61	Gent SR	61	61	-4	2.5	4.1	14.3
218	131	Galloway (A)	137	140	-1	6.7	4.8	13.2
24	14½	GUS	19½	20	-½	33.6b	13.2	12.0
144	104	Do 'A' (aa)	104	104	-½	33.6	32.3	12.0
257	92	Harris Queensway	92	96	-1	2.5	2.6	14.7
62	23	Hebeat Oil London	23	23		0.1	0.4	55.7
365	203	Hemp Robinson plc	280	285	-4	5.1	1.7	17.6
67	41	Hepworth	41	41		2.4	5.8	11.1
283	180	House Of Lesley	180	200		10.1	5.0	10.7
217	77	Laura Ashley	77	77	-1	1.1	1.4	32.9
12½	650	Liberty	10½	11		13.4	13.2	17.8
280	177	Marks Spencer (aa)	180	182	-3	8.4	3.5	17.8
524	314	Mentzies (John)	350	356	-6	8.6	2.4	14.1
144	588	Moss Bros	138	140		3.5	2.5	21.1
370	226½	Next (aa)	350	350	-10	24.0	6.9	10.7
470	305	Next (B)	348	350		24.0	6.9	10.7
184½	86	Pentos	98	98	-7	14	14	16.7
391	98	Preedy (Alfred)	98	98		5.7	5.7	29.8
495	350	Rakers Group	350	357		8.8	2.5	14.3
155	120	Do Pf	120	120		8.8	7.3	
260	210	Reed (Austin)	240	240	+2	10.3	4.3	24.9
185	165	Do 'A'	168	175	+2	10.3	6.0	12.7
167	46	S & U Stores	46	46		2.6	5.6	10.2
188	113	Sears (aa)	113	113		6.4	5.7	15.4
417	278	Smith (WH) 'A'	308	314	+2	10.7	3.4	15.2
82	58	Do 'B'	61	63		2.1	3.4	
210	135	Sock Shop	160	170	-10			
230	150	Stanley (Alf)	182	185		4.7	2.5	22.5
238	84	Stead & Simpson 'A'	84	86	+2	2.7	3.1	12.5
416	215	Stonehouse (aa)	260	262	+2	12.1	4.6	12.9
39½	8½	Stonegate	8½	9				14.2
210	116	Sumrie Clothes	175	180	-5			
195	116	T & S Stores	175	178		7.5	4.2	17.7
240	145	Talbot & Britten	175	180		7.5	4.2	16.4
217	92	Tie Rack	110	115	-5	1.5	1.4	
109	102	Textile Products	107	107		5.5	3.9	10.9
75	50	Tie Tay Drug	75	80		2.7	3.5	40.5
195	110	Underwoods	195	195	-5	11.1	5.8	12.8
169	116	Vivat	165	172	-4	3.7	2.2	13.6
441	265	Wears White	265	265	+1	12.1	4.6	12.8
295	135	Wickes	265	270	-5	11.6	4.3	9.8
195	135	Waking Office	165	175	-15	4.5	2.6	17.5
80	50	Windsmoor	75	85	-5	4.5	5.6	9.5
289	86	Woolworth (aa)	286	290	-6	19.2	6.7	

ELECTRICALS

1987 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Change	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
486	264	AB Elect	277	280	-13	12.1e	6.0	11.9
175	115	Admiral Comp	172	177		7.9	2.5	16.4
460	202	Alphameric	225	235		3.4	1.2	17.0
294½	99	Amstrad (aa)	164	167	-5	1.8	0.9	62

FINANCE, LAND

1987 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Change	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
126	33	Abaco	58	55	-1	0.6b	1.1	24.5
348	265	Abingworth	265	275	-5	17	6.2	
176	75	Aitken Hume	85	85	-5	4.8	5.3	9.1
178	75	Autocapital	165	175		9.3	5.3	10.7
333	215	Berkeley Sowest	198	240				
671	240	Br Commonwth (aa)	300	310	-10	9.7	3.2	27.7
261	240	Camellia	240	250	+1	10.6	4.2	23.6
745	290	Cimstrac Ind	335	357		12.3	3.5	14.8
21	7	Equity & Gen	8	9	-1	0.5	5.6	14.2
158	40	Harrisons Crosfield	135	145	-5	5.2	3.6	14.8
127	75	Ingl Signal & General	130	135	-5	6.8	5.2	10.3
132½	70	Jones Stroud	135	175	-5	6.9	4.2	19.8
260	245	Kode	245	255		19.2	5.3	15.3
348	245	Lac Refrigeration	245	255		17.7	6.8	11.9
260	210	Lake	245	255		19.2	5.3	11.4
378	345	MK Elect	345	345		17	4.9	11.7
215	185	Metro 4	215	230		11	5.1	20.9
210	185	Mamac	190	210		4.1	1.9	20.8
75	38	MBS	75	88				7.6
385	345	Micrelon Repro	365	415	-5	4.1	1.0	30.0
207	87	Monk Foods	180	180				
441	191	Micrigen	233	238		8.2	3.6	19.1
185	85	Molins	185	175				
108	48	Mulcaire Elect	48	48		3.3	6.8	7.3
274	147	Oxford Instruments	175	175		3.4	1.9	18.8
351	159	P-E International	180	190	-5	4.3	2.4	15.6
111	234	Pinnacle	34	37		0.8	2.5	27.8
1501	1250	Racal Elec 5½%	1350	1400				
1964	74	Racal Elec Pf	74	76				
277	224	Price	245	255	-4	8.9	3.5	10.9
204	138	Do 'A' Ltd Voting	170	177	-2	6.9	3.9	11.5
554	346	Prospic (aa)	170	180	-5	7.9	6.1	8.1
25½	13½	Do A0R '5	10½					
354	165	Pressac	165	170	-4	4.2	2.1	10.5
152	75	Quest Automatrix	80	80		1.3	1.5	41
268	182	Quest Elect (aa)	182	182		4.3	2.3	18.7
247	167	Ross	167	167		5.5	3.3	10.4
245	138	Scantronic	145	155		11	7.1	48.9
488	420	Schlenks (GH)	480	490	-5	19.2	4.7	13.5
63	40	Scott Robertson	40	45	+4	0.8	1.9	11.2
195	169	Sirdar (aa)	195	195		10.4	5.4	17.8
104	90	Systems Designers	52	54		2.8	5.3	18.7
187½	111	TDK	187					
170	138	Telephone Rentals	170	180	-5	11.9	6.1	14.7
586	465	Tarmac	560	563	+5	26.3	5.9	12.8
388	310	Tarsmill	380	380	+5	24	6.3	10.6
388	307	UDS	380	380	-10	24	6.3	10.6
388	307	Unitech	370	380	-10	24	6.3	10.6
578	348	Utd Scientific	370	375	-5	24	6.4	10.5
388	307	VG Instruments	370	375		24	6.4	10.5
427	327	Vinten	375	385	-5	14.7	3.8	11.5
388	255	Western Selection	370	375		24	6.4	10.5
		Wholesale Fabrig	400	410		12.6	3.1	16.8

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1987 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Change	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
58½	12½	American Express	101½					
223	88	Argyle	95	95		2.7	3.0	26.9
274	75	Barclaid	95	95	-7	0.2	0.2	
213	90	Britannia Arrow	95	95		7.5	8.0	8.3
44	18	Daily Mail	44	44		8.0	3.2	16.9
53	20	Do A	28	28		8.0	3.6	15.1
5½	2½	Eagle Trust	2½	2½		0.1	4.6	2.7
258	159	Electra	172	175	-6	4.8	2.3	32.7
288	150	Exploration	170	180		3.4	1.9	19.5
260	150	Framlington	145	160		3.8	2.5	11.6
260	150	Frost Gp	160	160		3.8	2.5	11.6
288	83	GT Management	182	182	-5	6.9	4.2	8.6
270	150	Goode Durrant	125	140	-5	3.4	2.6	18.6
17½	5½	Henderson Adven	5½	6½	-½	0.2	3.6	7.3
288	150	IRI	150	150		3.8	2.5	64
288	150	MAI	150	150		3.8	2.5	
555	225	NAAM	215	230		9.6	4.2	18.6
461	255	W & G	255	330	-5	9.6	4.2	18.6
315	137	Smith New Court	175	180	-10	11.9	6.6	9.4
474	145	Tyndall Hldgs	148	160	-5	6.9	4.8	9.4

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

1987 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Change	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
173	98	Allied Colloids	103	107	-3	2.6	2.5	14.5
348	303	Amersham	348	350		11.8	3.3	14.4
520	323	Anchor Chemical	415	420	-5	8.5	2.0	17.2
660	460	BTP	580	590	-5	12.5	2.1	12.4
154½	83	Bamer DM50	89½	90	-½	7.8	8.7	
258	132	Blagden	135	140		10.1	7.3	13.9
168	108	Brent Chems	130	130	-5	6.4b	4.8	16.5
313	126	Cleaning (W)	170	175	-5	6.8	4.2	16.2
348	238	Coalite	345	350	-5	12.6	3.6	12.8
463	213	Coates Bros	245	250	-5	8.5	3.4	17.8
417	111	Do 'A'	245	250	-5	8.5	3.4	12.8
48	30	Cory (Horace)	34	36		1.8	4.8	28.8
220	166	Do Dfd	166	166		1.8	4.8	13.1
388	147	Ellis & Everard	154	157		6.4	4.1	12.1
353	114	Ensor	123	130		6.1	4.7	10.5
188	118	Fenco-Mensap	118	118		13.4	11.3	10.6
188	106	Halstead (James)	106	106		8.9	8.4	10.4
230	186	Hickson	119	125		5.7	4.7	15.0
116	72½	Hoskins DMSD	108½					
195½	156	Ibstock Johnsen	195	196		6.1	3.2	10.5
587	359	Laporte (aa)	360	365		14.9	4.1	12.1
249	117	Leigh	150	150		3.7	3.7	27.4
24½	11	Marsh Hydro	12	12		2.5		
130	75	Mowlem	125	125		5.2	7.8	17.3
102	75	Redpath Hldgs	100	100		5.8	5.8	20.3
252½	102	Redpath	177	178		4.1	2.3	18.1
488	92	Sequa	335	345				
205	158	Shanks & Mcewan	205	210				19.0
485	258	Wolseley-Hughes	270	280		14.9	5.8	10.1
165	61½	Yorkshire Chem	238	245		7.5	3.1	15.8
		Yule Catto	90	100		4.1b	4.3	13.8

DRAPERY, STORES

1987 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Change	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
493	111	Alexon	370	380	-5	8.2	3.0	12.1
196	78	Arthur Bay	87	87	-1			17.7
164	55	Aggressive 'A'	73	77		3.7	4.9	18.8
213½	87	Ackley (Laura)	106	113		4.3	3.8	16.7
238	87	Baxter (James) 'A'	143	143	-1	4.2	3.2	15.5
53	20	Do 'A'	24	28				26.6
135	66	Blacks Leis	116	121		3.6		
570	368	Body Shop	580	610	-50	2.9	0.5	69.9
96	66	Brenner	66	72		2.7	3.8	10.8
695	466	Brown (A)

FAMILY MONEY BRIEFING

Law Society offers aid to blaze victims

■ Anyone who has been injured or suffered emotional stress in this week's tragic fire at King's Cross Underground station in London should contact the Law Society for advice.

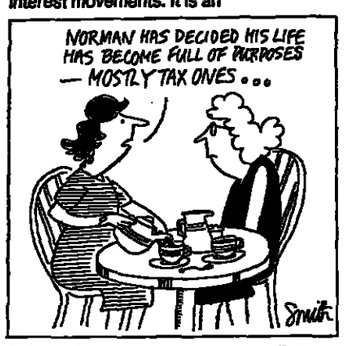
The society is trying to ensure that all-round professional and independent help is readily available. It will also ensure that anybody who wants to seek compensation — and this includes those people who may have lost their belongings such as handbags or briefcases — are directed through the right channels.

A special telephone helpline has been set up for this purpose. The number to dial is 01-242 1222, extension 469. *The service is available every weekday* from 9.15am to 5.15pm. The Law Society will send out a free information pack, which will contain a fact sheet, *covering the Government's inquiry*, details about legal aid and also accident advice. In addition, it will suggest a number of solicitors in the vicinity of *the claimant who belong to the Law* Society's new Accident Legal Advice Scheme.

Under the scheme the participating solicitors provide one free interview, during which they will help their client to apply for legal aid, if appropriate.

■ A new Business Expansion Scheme offer opens next Wednesday. International Financial Strategies intends to raise up to £1 million by *offering a million 50p ordinary shares* at £1 each, payable in full on application. The subscription list will be open until December 24 unless the offer is fully *subscribed before that time.*

International Financial Strategies offers training, advice and consultancy to companies in international markets on their exposure to overseas currency and interest movements. It is an



independent group and has no dealing *facility.* However, subscribers can gain access to the company's database. The chairman of International Financial Strategies is Brian Emmerson, who was previously finance director of the Stock Exchange.

As an example of the kind of service offered, the company quotes the case of the treasurer of a large corporation managing multi-currency transactions on a daily basis. To maximize potential *profits and minimize foreign exchange* risks, the treasurer will need access to up-to-date information. The company's system will provide him with economic and financial data and statistics to assess the background to both currency and



Brian Emmerson: chairman

interest rate developments. The idea is that in combination with his own forecasts the treasurer is better equipped to review opportunities and risks.

The issue is being sponsored by *Chancery Securities*, a merchant banking services group, which claims about 20 per cent of the BES prospectus market.

Potential investors should be aware not only that *the value of their investment* can rise or fall but also that investment in the company is speculative and the shares cannot at present be disposed of in an active market. *There is the* possibility of a flotation as an exit route for investors. Prospectuses are available from Chancery Securities, 14 *Fitzhardinge Street, Manchester Square*, London W1H 9PL (01-486-7171).

■ **The National Westminster Bank *has launched a loan package for trainee* barristers and solicitors. The loan rate is 1 per cent over NatWest's base rate, with a minimum of 9 per cent, throughout the whole term of the loan. Free life cover is included. Repayment of the loan need not start until the borrower's law studies have *been completed and a maximum* 12-year period is then available for full repayment.**

■ You might be hard-pressed to believe there is a lighter side to the subject of money, in the wake of the stock market crash.

Rosemary Burr is out to prove you wrong. In her new book *Sticky Fingers — or how to be ripped off and enjoy it*, she explains how money managers profit from your money, and includes true stories from big financial institutions. There is also a section on Cityspeak. So, the chairman's statement may read: "Your directors believe a change of domicile would benefit the company." But what he really means is: "The Fraud Squad are on to us." References to "abnormal trading conditions" can be taken to mean: "We are making a large loss."

Sticky Fingers will make an ideal stocking-filler. It costs £2.95.

■ **Fidelity Investment Services launches its own investment magazine this weekend. *Fidelity Investment Focus* is aimed at both existing and potential Fidelity investors. The new publication will keep readers informed about the company's own products as well as covering financial and *investment topics.***

In the first issue there is an article on the pros and cons of investing in wine, advice on children's savings, an investment review and answers to investors' questions.

A novel feature of the new publication is what the company calls its "Winter Reserve" brochure. This offers specially negotiated discounts to Fidelity unit-holders on a range of products and services such as wines, holidays, car hire and a Christmas *hamper.*

Fidelity Investment Focus* will be published twice a year and mailed to all the company's investors. Potential *investors can apply for free copies.* More information is available from Fidelity Callfree on 0800 414161 between 9am and 9pm every day *including Sunday.

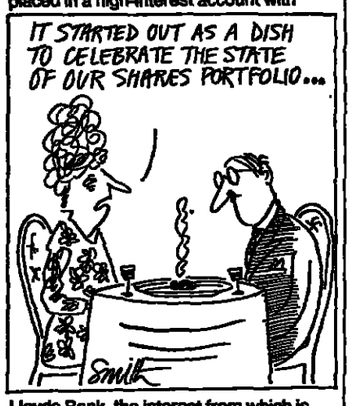
■ The 1987 Proof Issue of Nugget gold coins was unveiled in Canberra yesterday by the Australian Government. The range comprises four coins — 1oz, ½oz, ¼oz and ⅒ oz.

The mintage of Proof Nuggets is low by world standards with only 21,000 tradeable units on sale. Their appeal is greater because every one of the coins tells a different story. For example, the "Golden Aussie" on the ⅒ oz coin was found near the Golden Mile at Kalgoorlie in Western Australia in 1980 by a prospector who had spent 40 years looking for gold and finally did so in the year of his golden wedding anniversary. The 267.5oz chunk of gold looks like a map of Australia.

The coins are priced at £1,095 for the full set, £550 for the 1oz coin, £290 for the ½oz, and £225 for the half set containing the ¼oz and ⅒ oz coins. *Prices include VAT and delivery to a* UK address and the coins can be ordered from Geoffrey Kitchen, Spink Modern Collections Ltd, PO Box 22, 29-35 *Gladstone Road, Croydon, Surrey* CR0 2BQ (01-689 5131).

■ Hargreaves Lansdown Asset Management launched the Phased Investment Plan, the aim of which is to help individuals make capital investments without getting the timing completely wrong — a task that is particularly difficult during times of market volatility.

Under the plan the minimum investment is £10,000, although this may be relaxed. *The investment is initially* placed in a high-interest account with



Lloyds Bank, the interest from which is credited to the plan holder. Over a 12-*month period the plan managers will* invest the capital in a range of unit trusts. Typically, £1,000 a month for 10 months will be invested. The aim will be capital growth, although Hargreaves Lansdown will be prepared to tailor-make an income plan.

Investors will pay the usual charges on the underlying unit trusts, but because the managers will be making bulk investments discounts may be *negotiated. There will be no further* charges.

INTEREST RATES ROUND-UP

	Nominal rate	Compounded return at tax rates 27%	45%	60%	Min/max investment £	Notice	Contact
BANKS							
Ordinary Dep A/c[1]	3.00	3.02	2.28	1.65	1 min	0-7 day	—
Girobank	3.25	3.28	2.47	1.80	1 min	7 day	01-600 6020
Fixed Term Deposits:							
National Westminster	6.13	6.13	4.62	3.36	10,000-24,999	1 mth	01-726 1000
" " "	5.75	5.75	4.33	3.15	10,000-24,999	6 mth	01-726 1000
Midland	5.55	5.55	4.18	3.04	10,000-24,999	1 mth	01-260 8000
" " "	5.55	5.55	4.18	3.04	10,000-24,999	6 mth	01-260 8000
BUILDING SOCIETIES							
Ordinary A/c	5.00	5.06	3.81	2.77	1 min	—	—
Britannia[2]	7.15	7.15	5.39	3.92	250 min	—	—
Bristol & West[2]	7.15	7.15	5.39	3.92	500 min	—	—
Bradford & Bingley[2]	7.50	7.50	5.65	4.11	1,000 min	—	—
Cheltenham & Glouc[2]	7.75	7.75	5.84	4.25	5,000 min	—	—
Northern Rock[2]	8.05	8.05	6.07	4.41	10,000 min	—	—
Nationwide Non-Resid[2]	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	1 min	—	—
MONEY FUNDS							
Aitken Hume Monthly Inc	6.21	6.39	4.81	3.50	1,000 min	—	01-638 6070
Allied Arab HICA	6.87	7.09	5.34	3.88	3,000 min	—	01-629 6802
Bank Of Scotland	6.17	6.35	4.78	3.48	2,500 min	—	01-626 8060
Barclays High Rate Dep	6.38	6.53	4.92	3.58	1,000 min	—	01-626 1567
" " "	6.63	6.79	5.12	3.72	10,000 min	—	01-626 1567
Britannia High Interest	6.02	6.18	4.66	3.39	2,500 min	—	01-588 2777
Citibank Money Mkt Plus‡	5.50	5.64	4.25	3.09	2,000 min	—	01-741 4941
HFC Trust & Savings	7.50	7.64	5.76	4.19	5,000 min	—	01-236 8391
Henderson Cheque A/c	6.17	6.35	4.78	3.48	2,500 min	—	01-638 5757
L & G High Int Deposit	6.81	6.93	5.22	3.80	1,000 min	1 mth	01-388 3211
Lloyds Investment A/c‡[6]	6.70	6.70	5.05	3.67	5,000 min	3 mth	01-407 1000
Lloyds HICA‡	5.00	5.12	3.86	2.81	1,000 min	—	01-407 1000
M&G HICA	6.49	6.69	5.04	3.67	2,500 min	—	01-626 4588
Midland HICA	6.00	6.20	4.67	3.40	2,000 min	—	0742 52800
" "	6.20	6.35	4.78	3.48	10,000 min	—	0742 52800
Nat West Special Reserve	6.13	6.26	4.72	3.43	2,000 min	—	01-726 1000
" " "	6.25	6.40	4.82	3.51	10,000 min	—	01-726 1000
Oppenheimer Money Mngmt	6.02	6.16	4.64	3.38	1,000 min	1 mth	01-236 9362
" " "	6.11	6.25	4.71	3.42	10,000 min	1 mth	01-236 9362
Phillips & Drew HICA	6.58	6.75	5.09	3.70	2,500 min	—	01-628 9771
Provincial Trust Chq A/c	6.96	7.19	5.42	3.94	1,000 min	—	061-9289011
Royal Bk Of Scot Prem A/c	6.20	6.35	4.78	3.48	2,500 min	—	031-5570201
S & P Classic	6.00	6.18	4.66	3.39	500 min	—	0708 766966
Schroder Wagg	6.21	6.40	4.82	3.51	2,500 min	—	0705 827733
Tyndall Call	6.38	6.54	4.93	3.58	2,500 min	—	0272 732241
Tyndall 7-day	6.38	6.53	4.91	3.58	2,500 min	—	0272 732241
UDT 7-day	6.30	6.45	4.86	3.53	5,000 min	7 day	01-626 4661
Western Trust	6.25	6.43	4.84	3.52	2,500 min	1 mth	0752 261161
NATIONAL SAVINGS							
Ordinary A/c[3]	6.00	6.17	4.65	3.38	1-10,000	8 day	041-6494555
Investment A/c*	10.00	7.30	5.50	4.00	5-100,000	1 mth	041-6494555
Income Bond*	10.50	7.67	5.78	4.20	2,000-100,000	3 mth	0253 66151
Deposit Bond*	10.50	7.67	5.78	4.20	100-100,000	3 mth	041-6494555
33rd Issue Cert*†	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	25-1,000	8 day	091-3864900
Yearly Plan†	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	20-200/mth	14 day	091-3864900
General Extension Rate†	6.51	6.51	6.51	6.51			
Retail Price Index: Sep	102.4	102.4	102.4	102.4			
GUARANTEED INCOME BONDS							
FPS (Management) Ltd	8.00	8.00	6.56	5.36	1,000 min	1 yr	0992 30488
FPS (Management) Ltd	8.00	8.00	6.61	5.43	1,000 min	2 yrs	0992 30488
FPS (Management) Ltd	8.00	8.00	6.65	5.49	1,000 min	3 yrs	0992 30488
FPS (Management) Ltd	8.00	8.00	6.68	5.55	1,000 min	4 yrs	0992 30488
Blackhorse Life[5]	8.00	8.00	6.56	5.36	2,000 min	5 yrs	0634 405161
LOCAL AUTHORITY TOWN HALL BONDS							
Northampton	6.58	6.58	4.96	3.61	500 min	1 yr	01-407 2767
Kirklees	6.75	6.75	5.09	3.70	500 min	2 yrs	01-407 2767
Kirklees	6.75	6.75	5.09	3.70	500 min	3 yrs	01-407 2767
Swansea	6.77	6.77	5.10	3.71	500 min	4 yrs	01-407 2767
Vale of Glamorgan	6.13	6.13	4.62	3.36	500 min	5 yrs	01-407 2767
Vale of Glamorgan	6.13	6.13	4.62	3.36	500 min	6 yrs	01-407 2767
Vale of Glamorgan	6.13	6.13	4.62	3.36	500 min	7 yrs	01-407 2767
Vale of Glamorgan	6.13	6.13	4.62	3.36	500 min	8 yrs	01-407 2767
Taff Ely	6.48	6.48	4.88	3.55	1,000 min	9 yrs	01-407 2767
Taff Ely	6.48	6.48	4.88	3.55	1,000 min	10 yrs	01-407 2767
FOREIGN CURRENCY DEPOSITS							
Sterling	8.29	—	—	—	—	7 day	0481 26741
US Dollar	6.12	—	—	—	—	7 day	0481 26741
Yen	2.89	—	—	—	—	7 day	0481 26741
D Mark	2.70	—	—	—	—	7 day	0481 26741
French Franc	7.76	—	—	—	—	7 day	0481 26741
Swiss Franc	1.01	—	—	—	—	7 day	0481 26741

*Interest taxable, paid gross † Tax free ‡ Higher returns for larger balances [1] All major banks [2] Societies chosen based on high street presence, higher rates can sometimes be obtained from smaller soci - contact Chase de Vere Moneyline 01-404 5766 [3] 3 per cent for balances below £500, first £70 of interest tax free, instant access for withdrawals of £100 or less [4] Additional holdings up to £5,000 for investors re-investing proceeds of existing matured certificates [5] Gemini Bond [6] Charge for instant access Research: Deborah Benn

KEY RATES

Retail Prices Index (Oct '86 to Oct '87)
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Mortgage rate*
10.1%-10.5%

Bank base rate
9.00%

Bank prime overdraft rate*
13%-18% APR

Personal loan rate*
19.7% APR

Credit card rate*
23.1% APR

Hire purchase rate*[1]
28% APR

Bank deposit account
3.00%

Building society ordinary account
5%

High-interest cheque account*
6.30%

Holiday exchange rates*

Spanish peseta	197
French franc	9.98
Greek drachma	255
Italian lira	2165

* Typical rates
[1] £1,000 over 12 months
APR = annual percentage rate

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BASE LENDING RATES

ABN	9.00%
Adam & Company	9.00%
BCCI	9.00%
Consolidated Crds	9.00%
Co-operative Bank	9.00%
C. Hoare & Co	9.00%
Hong Kong & Shanghai	9.00%
Lloyds Bank	9.00%
Nat Westminster	9.00%
Royal Bank of Scotland	9.00%
TSB	9.00%
Citibank NA	9.50%

UNIT LINKED INSURANCE INVESTMENTS

AETNA LIFE INSURANCE — 401, St John Street, London EC1V 4QE — 01-837 6464 — Life Funds

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Equity	11.4	12.0	-0.1	::
Bear	11.28	11.86	-0.21	::
Owl	12.52	13.18	-0.44	::
Bull	12.14	12.78	-0.12	::
Stag	12.29	12.94	+0.05	::
Gilt Edged	11.87		+0.04	::
Deposit	10.52		+0.01	::
Pensions				
Squirrel	12.68	13.35	+0.01	::
Bear	13.04	13.73	-0.24	::
Owl	15.55	16.37	-0.56	::
Bull	14.61	15.38	-0.13	::
Stag	14.83	15.62	+0.07	::
Gilt Edged	12.56		+0.08	::
Deposit	11.22		+0.01	::
Exempt App Mixed	157.1	167.3	+0.54	::

ABBEY LIFE — 80, Hydethemarst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL — 0202 292373

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Property Fund Inc	214.1	225.4	+0.8	::
Do Accum	310.2	326.6	+1.2	::
Equity Fund Income	100.7	106.0	-3.5	::
Do Accum	111.4	117.3	-4.0	::
Selective Fund	252.7	266.1	-2.6	::
Money Fund	234.1	246.5	+0.3	::
Prop Eq Ser 4	243.6	256.5	+0.7	::
Equity Ser 4	116.7	122.9	-3.7	::
Man Ser 4	339.0	356.8	-5.1	::
Com Ser 4	209.8	220.7	+0.1	::
Money Ser 4	209.8	220.8	+0.1	::
Fixed Int Fd Ser 4	259.0	272.1	+0.1	::
American Ser 4	219.8	231.4	-5.2	::
High Inc Ser 4	331.4	348.9	-4.8	::
Indexed Inv Ser 4	117.1	123.4	+1.8	::
Japan Ser 4	223.4	240.5	-3.5	::

ALBANY LIFE — 3, Darkes Lane, Potters Bar — 0707 42511

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Equity Fd Acc	760.8	800.7	+7.5	::
European Fd Accum	163.7	183.5	+6.7	::
Fixed Int Acc	334.2	351.7	+0.9	::
Gtd Money Fd Acc	214.3	225.6	+0.3	::
Int Man Fd Acc	217.3	228.7	+0.5	::
Fixed Int Fd Acc	196.8	207.2	+1.1	::
Japan Fund	254.5	267.8	+9.9	::
Nth American Fd Acc	128.5	135.2	+0.8	::
Prop Fd Acc	252.7	247.9	+0.2	::
Multiple Inv Acc	539.7	567.9	+4.4	::

ALLIED DUNBAR ASSURANCE — Allied Dunbar Assurance Swindon SN1 1EL — 0793-28291

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Fixed Int Dep Accum	237.5	250.0	+0.2	::
Equity Accum	640.1	673.8	-9.4	::
Property Accum	363.9	383.1	+0.2	::
Far East Accum	148.2	156.0	-4.1	::
Managed Capital	305.7	322.9	-3.4	::
Do Accum	514.2	541.3	-5.8	::
Overseas Accum	413.1	434.9	-7.1	::
Gtd Edged Accum	124.2	130.8		::
Amer Equity Accum	318.4	335.2	-8.6	::
Amer Man Accum	151.9	159.9	-3.7	::
Amer Prop Accum	118.4	124.7	-0.1	::

BALTIC ASSURANCE — 25-26 Albemarle Street, London W1X 4AD — 01-493 9989

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Managed Growth	259.7	272.3	-4.95	::
Managed Income	121.8	128.2	+0.29	::
International	169.8	178.9	-7.13	::
High Income	179.8	189.2	+1.58	::
Income & Growth	234.8	247.2	+2.44	::
Basic Resource	100.9	106.2	-2.60	::
American	93.5	98.4	-3.55	::
Japan & General	436.5	459.4	-1.98	::
Special Situations	200.9	211.5	-2.82	::

BARCLAYS LIFE — 252, Romford Rd, London E7 9JB — 01-534 5544

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Equity Accum	459.8	484.0	-8.0	::
Do Initial	389.4	409.9	-6.8	::
Gilt Edged Accum	228.9	240.9	+1.35	::
Do Initial	193.4	203.6	+1.14	::
International Accum	235.3	247.7	-3.66	::
Do Initial	198.7	210.3	-3.09	::
Managed Accum	318.7	335.4	-2.4	::
Do Initial	264.1	278.1	-2.1	::
Money Accum	186.0	195.8	+0.2	::
Do Initial	153.1	161.2	+0.1	::
Property Accum	222.7	234.5	+0.5	::
Do Initial	187.2	197.1		::
Americs Accum	137.1	144.4	-2.0	::
Do Initial	118.4	124.7	-1.8	::
Australia Accum	117.4	123.5	-2.2	::
Do Initial	101.6	107.0	-1.8	::
Financial Accum	211.7	222.9	-1.1	::
Do Initial	182.8	192.5	-0.98	::
500 Accum	249.8	263.0	-2.9	::
Do Initial	212.7	223.9	-2.4	::
Japan &Gen Acc 2	258.7	272.2	-12.4	::
Do Initial 2	219.6	231.1	-11.9	::
Income Accum	268.8	282.7	-3.7	::
Do Initial	224.7	236.1	-3.1	::
Lexicon Accum	130.3	136.9	-1.5	::
Special Sits Accum	130.9	137.5	-1.7	::
Unv Tech Accum	69.9	94.7	-3.6	::
Do Initial	79.5	83.7	-3.2	::

BLACK HORSE LIFE — Mountbatten House Chatham — 0 Kent ME4 4JF 0634 405161

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
The Managed Fund	400.52		-2.89	
Income Fund	396.8	411.4	-4.17	
Extra Income Fund	382.5	397.5	-4.59	
Worldwide Growth Fd	188.4	195.8	+3.65	
Balanced Fund	321.8	338.7	-10.80	
Smlr Co's & Rc Fd	491.7	517.6	-8.08	
Int Technology Fund	347.5	365.8	-5.13	
N Amer & Gen Fund	197.6	208.0	+2.0	
Energy Int Fund	112.4	118.3	-1.04	
Pacific Basin Fund	234.9	247.3	+11.85	
German Growth Fd	91.8	96.44	+3.57	
Japan Growth Fd	138.5	145.8	+6.48	
The UK Gth Fd	115.7	121.7	-6.85	
Dynd Euro Gth	79.37	83.56	+1.13	
Property Fund	203.4	214.1	+0.48	
Fixed Interest Fund	208.4	219.4	-0.62	
Cash Fund	169.7	190.2	+0.61	
Managed Inv Fund	254.9	268.3	-2.53	

CANADA LIFE — 2-6, High St, Potters Bar, Herts — P Bar 51122

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Equity Growth	194.8			
Managed	177.8	187.0	-1.5	::
Property	135.9	143.1	-1.3	::
Gilt & Fixed Int	148.3	157.2		::
Index-Linked	116.8	123.0	+0.1	::
Equity	180.2	203.4	-3.9	::

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Cash	145.5	153.2		::
Midland Bk UT	191.5	201.6	-0.2	::
Midland Bk Int	190.9	201.0	-3.2	::

CANNON ASSURANCE — 1 Olympic Way, Wembley, Middx. HA9 0NB — 01-902 8876

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Equity Units	222.63		-1.70	::
Property Units	224.86			::
Bal Bd Exec Unit	233.43	35.38	-0.28	::
2nd Equity Accum	321.9	340.6	-7.2	::
2nd High Inc/Accum	302.4	320.0	-4.4	::
2nd Property Accum	235.8	249.5		::
2nd Managed 2 Acc	111.4	117.9	-0.1	::
2nd Managed Acc	240.4	254.4	-1.9	::
2nd Managed 4 Acc	97.6	103.3	-0.4	::
2nd Deposit Accum	184.9	195.7	+0.3	::
2nd Gilt Accum	200.1	211.7	+0.4	::
2nd Amer Accum	188.0	198.9	-8.1	::
2nd Int Money Ac	187.3	198.2	-0.3	::
2nd Index Accum	111.7	118.2	+1.4	::
2nd Far East Accum	193.0	204.2	+11.2	::
2nd Global Accum	71.9	76.1	-1.4	::
2nd Euro Accum	74.2	78.5	-1.2	::
2nd Japan Accum	184.9	191.4	+5.8	::
2nd Hamilton Acc	103.2	109.2		::
2nd Int Curr Bond	92.4	97.8		::

CITY OF WESTMINSTER ASSURANCE — Sentry House, 500, Avebury Blvd, Cntl Milton Keynes MK9 2LA — 0908-606101

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Property Fund	135.4	143.6		::
Money Fund	240.9	253.6	+0.2	::
Managed Fund	402.6	429.9	-10.5	::
Equity Fund	271.3	285.6	-5.8	::
Fixed Interest Fund	158.9	167.3	-1.6	::
Far East Fund	229.2	241.3	+0.4	::
Nth Amer Fund	129.8	136.7	-1.7	::
Nat Resources Fund	156.8	164.0	-5.3	::
Alexandra Fund	68.4	72.0		::

CLERICAL MEDICAL/FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL — Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH — 0272 280566 — Assurance Funds

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Mixed	135.0	142.2	-4.1	::
Equity	168.3	171.9	-9.4	::
Property	137.0	144.3	+1.3	::
Gilt & Fixed Int	129.5	133.2	+1.9	::
Indexed Secs	98.7	104.0	+0.3	::
Cash	115.0	121.1	+0.2	::
Nth American	83.8	88.3	-7.2	::
Far East	124.9	131.5	+2.5	::
International	104.6	110.2	-8.2	::
Special Sits	145.9	153.6	-8.2	::
Int Income	143.8	151.2	-7.7	::
European	128.3	135.1	-4.8	::
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Mixed	131.3	138.3	-4.7	::
Equity	142.9	150.5	-8.6	::
Property	130.1	137.0	+0.2	::
Gilt & Fixed Int	128.0	134.7	+1.2	::
Index Linked	103.5	109.0	+1.4	::
Cash	126.9	133.6	-0.1	::
Nth American	88.7	94.5	-7.9	::
Far East Acc	158.0	167.1	+4.3	::
International Acc	117.7	123.9	-4.4	::
Special Sits	194.4	204.7	-9.1	::
European Flex	153.9	162.1	-5.2	::
Capital	115.0	121.1	+0.2	::
Nth American	83.6	88.3	-7.2	::
Far East	124.9	131.5	+2.5	::
International	104.6	110.2	-8.2	::
Special Sits	145.9	153.6	-8.2	::
Int Income	143.6	151.2	-7.7	::
American Inc	92.3	97.2	-6.7	::
European	128.3	135.1	-4.8	::

COLONIAL MUTUAL — 24 Ludgate Hill, London EC4P 4BD — 01-248 9989

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
CML U Ass/Key	155.6%			::
CML U Ass/Pacinvstr	189.44			::
CML U Ass/Cash	133.9	140.9		::
CML U Ass/Equity	278.7	294.5		::
CML U Ass/Fi	202.8	213.5		::
CML U Ass/Managed	218.3	229.7		::
CML U Ass/Prop	251.9	278.7		::
CML(Pen)/Cash Cap	134.8	141.9	-5.06	::
CML(Pen)/Cash Inv	184.2	193.8	+0.06	::
CML(Pen)/Equity Cap	554.0	583.2	-8.48	::
CML(Pen)/Equity Inv	693.7	687.1	-9.37	::
CML(Pen)/Fixed Cap	227.9	239.9	+0.72	::
CML(Pen)/Fixed Inv	268.7	274.4	+1.07	::
CML(Pen)/Index Cap	130.9	137.9	+0.95	::
CML(Pen)/Index Inv	149.8	157.7	+1.19	::
CML(Pen)/Prop Cap	302.0	317.9	-3.6	::
CML(Pen)/Prop Inv	345.4	363.6	-4.22	::

COMMERCIAL UNION — 8 Bishop's, 1 Undershaft, EC3 — 01-283 7500

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Var Ann Accum (5)	286.64		+5.52	
Var Ann (5)	59.23		+0.96	
Prime- Managed	268.2	247.6	-3.4	::
Prime- UK Equity	271.6	285.9	-5.8	::
Prime- Int Equity	178.3	189.6	+3.2	::
Prime- Property	136.0	143.2	+0.3	::
Prime- Fixed Interest	157.7	166.0	+0.1	::
Prime- Index-Linked	102.6	108.0	+0.1	::
Prime- Cash	129.4	136.3	+0.1	::

CONFEDERATION LIFE — 50 Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1HE — 01-242 0282

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Managed Fund	619.8	652.4	+23.4	
Equity Fund	852.3	897.1	+32.4	
PIP Fund	123.39		+1.34	

CROWN FINANCIAL — Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW — 04862 5033

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Life Managed Acc	369.0	395.2	-2.8	::
Life Fixed Int Accum	245.4	259.3	+0.7	::
Life Fixed Int Acc	245.4	259.3	+0.7	::
Life Money Accum	189.6	199.5	+12.2	::
Life Inv Trust Accum	388.9	409.3	-5.5	::
Life Intl Accum	286.8	301.6		::
Life High Inc Accum	389.4	420.4	-2.4	::
Life Property Accum	192.2	202.3	+0.1	::
Crown Snt Inv A	641.4	771.6		::
Crown Equity	615.0	645.2		::
Crown Managed	192.5	220.5		::
Growth Accum	218.5	230.0	-4.4	::

CRUSADER INSURANCE — Reigate Surrey RH2 8BL — 07372 42424

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Measured perf	85.3	90.3	+0.2	::
Performance Plus	81.0	85.7	+1.4	::
With Profit Perf	104.9	111.0		::
UK Opportunity	100.3	106.1	+0.1	::
Euro Opportunity	80.2	84.9	-1.7	::

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
North Amer Opp	66.6	70.5	-0.7	::
Far East Opp	85.5	90.6	+3.8	::
Gth Prop Series 1	148.8	156.7		::
Gth Prop Series 2	105.5	111.6	+0.1	::
Fixed Int	105.1	111.2		::
Cash	101.6	107.5	+0.1	::
Managed Pens	397.6	398.9		::
Overseas	74.1	78.7	+1.7	::

EAGLE STAR INSURANCE — Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ — 0242 221311

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
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Channel plunge

The Eurotunnel sale is under way. AMANDA PARDOE reports on the prospects for investors

The Eurotunnel issue has now been underwritten and the full prospectus was published this week. Investors who want a stake in the Channel Tunnel have until 10am next Friday, November 27, to submit their completed application forms together with payment in full.

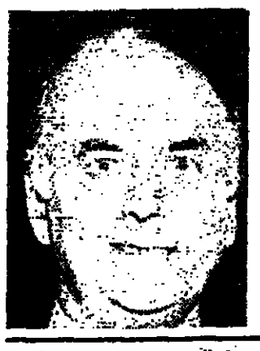
Eurotunnel, the group that will build and operate the £5 billion link with the Continent, is seeking to raise £770 million from British, French and international investors.

As it is an Anglo-French group, investors are being offered shares in an English company (Eurotunnel plc) and shares in a French company (Eurotunnel Sa). These are then being twinned to form units. But the Eurotunnel units should not be confused with unit trusts. You will be able to buy and sell them in the same way as other shares.

In all, Eurotunnel is issuing 220 million units, and 101 million of them are being offered for sale to investors in the UK and France.

In the UK around 42 million units have been allocated to institutional investors, with the remaining 59 million units offered to the public. The unit price is £3.50 and the minimum stake is 100 units, so the minimum investment is £350. The all-important question is, of course: "Is it worth it?"

As an investment, Eurotunnel is more difficult to evaluate than other new issues, as it has no track record. Usually the price of shares in new issues is related to the company's profits, but with Eurotunnel this is not possible as the group will not begin to receive any revenue until the tunnel is open.







Alastair Morton, left, and André Bénard are co-chairmen of Eurotunnel. Mr Morton says: "We can be confident that many members of the public are going to invest in Eurotunnel and I look forward to welcoming them as our shareholders"

The scheduled opening is May 1993 and, assuming this target is matched, Eurotunnel is forecast to carry 44 per cent of cross-Channel passenger traffic and 17 per cent of cross-Channel freight traffic. This works out at around 30 million passengers and 15 million tonnes of freight.

Traffic across the Channel is expected to rise significantly. It is estimated that in the year 2003 there will be 94 million passenger trips and 123 million tonnes of freight. That is roughly twice the 1985 level.

Looking at the likely return

Value dependent on market prices

on Eurotunnel shares, investors need to recognize that the venture has two distinct phases — building phase followed by operational phase.

During the former the risks will be greater. While the tunnel is being built, there will be no revenue and no dividends and the value of the shares will depend on market prices. So, if you are looking for income and travel perks, you must be prepared to wait.

Once the tunnel enters the second phase investors can expect high dividends, based on the projections given in the prospectus. The first dividend, which will be paid in 1995 for the year ending December 31, 1994, is expected to be 39p a share, representing a gross dividend yield of 16 per cent. Dividends will rise to £1.46 a share in 2003, £7.70 a share in 2023 and £14.44 in 2033.

In addition to the prospect of high dividend payments Eurotunnel offers two other attractions — new warrants and concessionary fares.

Investors will be issued with one new warrant per unit, and for every 10 new warrants held they will be entitled to subscribe for one unit at any time between November 15, 1990, and November 15, 1992. The price payable will be £2.30 and 23 French francs a unit, equivalent to about £4.60 today. However, investors who do not want to keep the new warrants can sell them at any time.

Travel perks are offered to all successful investors. Those with the minimum holding of 100 units will be entitled to unlimited shuttle crossings until the year 2042.

None of these trips is free, however. To enjoy the privileges, shareholders must pay an annual registration fee of about £10 and a nominal charge of £2 for a return.

Despite the many imponderables, Eurotunnel looks an exciting investment which could prove very rewarding for those who are prepared to accept the risks. Remember, you will have to wait until 1995 before receiving any income, and there is always the possibility that the costs may prove more expensive than forecast, and that fierce competition may reduce the

The stags may also stand to gain

expected revenue. In other words, potential investors are taking a great deal on trust.

However, despite the uncertainties, and the fact that the dividends and the travel perks will be available only to the long-term investors, it is possible that stags may also stand to gain. With only 59 million units being offered to the British public, it is possible that the issue will be oversubscribed and the price boosted accordingly.

Abbey National undercuts Halifax

Abbey National, Britain's second biggest building society, yesterday undercut its chief rival, the Halifax, with a 10.1 per cent mortgage rate. The new Halifax rate announced this month is 10.3 per cent. The Abbey's rate applies to new borrowers immediately and to its existing homebuyers from December 1.

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The gullible borrowers

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This is just one of several bleak examples of financial *naiveté* and gullibility quoted in a new book* published this week by the National Consumer Council. The NCC claims this is a typical example of people who have no experience of finance being lent money at rates they cannot afford.

The NCC also highlights the case of a man who was charged an arrangement fee of £800 on £2,000 borrowed to clear arrears on his first mortgage and pay for roof repairs.



Sally Oppenheim-Barnes: warning on advertisements

The NCC's advice is to beware beguiling advertisements offering a fast loan to pay off your debts. It could cost you dear and you might even end up costing you the roof over your head.

According to the NCC chairman, Sally Oppenheim-Barnes, some advertisements make these loans look like the answer to all your money problems. "But," she warns, "this so-called solution is temporary. It's usually at the very least, expensive — and at worst you could lose your home."

She says some advertisements are blatantly targeted at people already deeply in debt, or unemployed, or dependent on state benefits.

The advertisements use phrases such as: "If you have financial problems, mortgage arrears, court judgments or have recently purchased property, yes! we can probably still help you." But these come-on messages rarely make clear that if people fall behind with payments they risk losing their homes. Arrangement fees are often hidden and some advertisements mix up weekly and monthly payments.

The NCC wants the Consumer Credit Act strengthened to give borrowers new safeguards. The Act gives courts the power to reopen credit agreements if payments are "grossly exorbitant".

Peter Gartland

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What do you do with your money now if you are living and working abroad? Advice is offered by PAULINE SKYPALA



Crashing share markets leave all of us confused and, in these early days, uncertain of the direction to take with their investments. Even so, much of the advice appropriate for expatriates remains worth listening to.

For a start, you have to sort out what to do with your cash deposits – useful investments to have in emergencies.

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What you put your money into depends on how long you are likely to be working abroad, your investment aims, how much money you have to invest, and your attitude to risk.

Many investors are risk-averse, and expatriates are no exception – if anything they are even more cautious. They may claim they have been proved right by recent events, but in the long term equity investment is a must if you want your money to grow.

However, if you feel wary of stock markets today, nobody would blame you. Few in the investment business are bold enough to make forecasts on the markets' probable movements in the short term.

The general advice is to get out of the market if you are worried about further falls, or hang on in there if you can afford to take a long-term view. For investors who do not mind a risk, some of the investment gurus suggest buying selectively during the next few months, keeping some cash back to take advantage of further falls.

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Gilts favoured for security they offer

But it would be no great surprise if you prefer not to put new money into the stock market just now. There are plenty of other places to invest your cash, or just to hoard it if that helps you to sleep at night. Fixed interest investments are regarded as a good example. They are generally regarded as being a good bet now, in the expectation of falling interest rates.

You can buy UK gilts, or Eurobonds, or both. Gilts have long been one of the mainstays of expatriate investment.

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Eurobonds, too, are popular, although their security varies depending on which government or company issued them.

You can buy gilts, which are tax-free to non-residents of the UK. These are not a special issue. They are available to anyone – but UK residents receive dividends after the deduction of basic rate tax, as indeed they would on most other gilts.

You receive the interest on Eurobonds tax-free as well, and these offer the additional advantage of being issued in bearer form, which means that the investor can remain anonymous.

Gilts are available only in sterling, but with Eurobonds you can diversify into other currencies, including American dollars, Japanese yen, and West German marks. For those without sufficient money to invest directly, there are a number of offshore funds specializing in Eurobonds.

Funds, of course, are always an alternative to direct investment, and there are plenty of gilt funds and international fixed interest funds for those who prefer to leave the decision-making to the experts.

You may also want to diversify into currencies. Currencies and currency fluctuations are something you will become much better acquainted with as an expatriate than you ever needed to as a UK resident.

Currency fluctuations offer opportunities for investment gain, if you are lucky or astute enough to get it right, but you should also look on currency investment as a means of maintaining the purchasing power of your savings.

Exchange rates will be particularly difficult to read in the aftermath of the stock market crash, so you need to look for a good managed fund, unless you feel that a good strong currency such as the Swiss franc will see you through the current crisis in financial markets.

You cannot yet use UK unit trusts to get into these new areas. You have to venture into offshore funds, many of which are run by unit trust groups you may already know, or by other large international financial institutions.

They are usually sited in tax havens, such as the Channel Islands, where local taxes are low or non-existent, although a fund may have to pay withholding tax on its dividend income from shares.

But you must check whether any fund you buy has distributor status. It will not make any difference while you are overseas, but back in the UK it is crucial to your tax bill.

The tax treatment of offshore funds with distributor status is identical with that of unit trusts. Investors pay income tax on the income distributed and capital gains tax on gains over the annual exempt limit.

Cheaper to use offshore funds

If you invest in a fund that does not have distributor status, you are liable for income tax on the whole of any gain you realize in the UK.

As a general rule, it is cheaper to use offshore funds as your investment vehicles rather than insurance products such as single-premium bonds or regular savings plans. If you want to invest on a regular basis, rather than in lump sums, you will find plenty of offshore fund groups that offer the facility.

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Travel trade woos the early bookers

HOLIDAYS

Booking your 1988 holiday now could mean paying less and getting cheaper insurance, says CONAL GREGORY

Travel agents and tour operators are competing for early holiday bookings with a range of special offers. Jack Smith, president of the Association of British Travel Agents, says sales for next summer are already buoyant, particularly to the United States and Turkey and in self-catering.

ABTA has just announced 200 new retail members since August, bringing the total to more than 7,000 outlets and giving scope for good savings to people booking early.

Many of the offers mean taking out a specific travel insurance, which can be a sensible precaution. Hogg Robinson's is typical. It is discounting holidays worth £200 or more per person by £10 in its brochures for the 1987-88 winter and next summer. The offer, which has been extended to November 30, involves taking out travel insurance through Commercial Union.

This "Travel Plus" policy costs £11.55 for a week or £14 for a fortnight. Half-price is charged for children. Medical claims are covered up to £1 million, loss of baggage to £1,500 and money to £300, with a £25 excess in each section.

AA Travel is allowing £5 per £100 discount off holidays with major operators, up to a £40 maximum, until December 31. Customers must take the AA Bishopsgate insurance, which costs £11.70 for up to 10 days and £13 up to 17 days.

Children aged over four years but under 16 are charged at £8.85 and £9.85 respectively for travel cover. The policy covers luggage insurance up to £1,000 and money up to £300.

Lunn Poly's offer, which runs to the end of the year, assists cash flow. A holiday can be booked with a deposit of only £5 per person with the balance payable 10 weeks before departure. In addition, the company gives a £5 discount off a single week's holiday and £10 off a fortnight's booking within Europe. The discount rises to £25 if the booking is for two weeks to a destination further afield, such as the United States or Australia.

Clients of Lunn Poly must take out travel insurance through Bishopsgate to secure this offer. The premiums are £13.20 for holidays up to 10 days, £15.50 for up to 17 days and £20.80 for up to 31 days.



Getting a tan: Pay something now and it could be cheaper

Reductions plus special deals

Not all current offers are linked to travel insurance. Albion Travel Services, of Derby, (0332 291900) gives vouchers worth £10 per £100 basic holiday cost, which excludes surcharges and other extras. The discount vouchers can be spent on articles bought at any Co-op store in the central Midlands, including Birmingham.

Alternatively, Albion offers free insurance through Whitley, which is normally £12.35 for seven days, £15.70 up to 14 days and £23.70 up to 17 days.

Thomas Cook has a discount offer to help family holidays with all the main operators. For every adult making a booking worth £100-£249, there is a £10 discount per child. If the holiday costs £250 or more per adult, the accompanying child gets a £25 reduction. The cover, which is arranged through Home and Overseas Insurance, is a part of the deal. It costs £13.55 for up to eight days or £15.95 for up to 17 days.

WH Smith Travel is giving free insurance through Roy Palmer. It is worth £12 per adult (£6 per child) for eight days' holiday, £13.50 up to 17 days and £18 for 18-31 days.

Pickfords is accepting bookings for a £5 deposit with the balance due two months before departure, but the travel insurance has to be bought through this company at the same time. It costs £12.45 per person (£7.47 for a child) for up to eight days, £13.50 (£8.10 child) for 10 days and £14.90 (£8.94 child) for periods of 13-17 days. Until the end of November, Pickfords is giving a free Sony Walkman and tape with every booking.

Several regional agents have good deals. A.T. Mays is booking holidays for a £10 deposit with the balance payable *at the end of March. It* also has a sliding scale discount, such as £10 per person for a fortnight's European *holiday, £20 off a long-haul* vacation worth £600 or £40 (taken as £10 discount and £30 travellers' cheques) for cruises costing £1,200 or more. Clients must take out insurance costing £14.40 for up to 17 days in Europe, £16 for 31 days or £30 to a two-week long-haul venue.

Althams Travel Services asks for a £5 deposit with the balance paid by February 13. It gives free travel insurance on seven-night holidays costing £150 (normal premium £12), and on vacations of 10 or 11 nights worth £170 (saving a £14 premium). It is extended to 14-night holidays that cost £200-plus.

John Hilary offers 10 per cent off most operators' prices on any sum paid before the end of November. If you pay half the total cost of the holiday now you get the reduction on that sum. You need not take its insurance but if you do there is a discount.

Exchange Travel accepts bookings for £5 deposit before December 31 with the balance to be paid 10 weeks before departure. It gives two further discounts – £5 per person per week for European holidays and a Countdown card, which offers discounts, including free accommodation at selected hotels, meals not included. It is conditional on *taking out ET's* insurance, arranged through an Eagle Star subsidiary, at £13.60 for eight days, £14.60 for 12 days and £15.60 for 17 days.

These agency discounts are additional to special deals announced by the operators. Cosmos, for example, has special rates for children, including free accommodation at certain venues. Earlier this month, Thomson announced it had knocked £18 million off its summer 1988 prices, effectively reducing prices by 4 per cent. Its Discount '88 brochures run to December 24.

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Given today's galloping pace of scientific advance, this could happen before the start of the next century. At present an international group of researchers is working to identify the function of every gene in the set contained in the human cell – this complete set or pattern is known as a genome. The final map of the human genome could even enable a doctor to peep in and discover whether or when your hair will fall out.

The obvious fear is that, with this knowledge, insurance companies would grab the opportunity of shortening their odds and would adjust your premiums accordingly or even turn you down.

Scientists, particularly in the United States, have considered the implications for some time.

An American doctor of ethics at an international conference on the implications of genetics last week said he believed insurance companies would use the test if it was available. As a result they would think again about an applicant whose genetic make-up indicated he would fall ill in later life and cost them many thousands of dollars.

The British insurance industry seems less alarmist about the prospect. A spokes-



Dr Reynolds: "keeping pace"

man for the Association of British Insurers said the industry was happy with the present procedure in which companies receive a health questionnaire filled in by the applicant and a written report from the family doctor, and then require an examination by their own doctor if the client has a medical problem.

The cost of a genetic analysis, which could be extremely high, would also be a factor, said the spokesman, but he added: "The companies would use anything that would help them, and we cannot rule out genetic testing."

At Canada Life, Mary Reynolds, the assistant general manager, who is also a doctor of medicine, thought insurance companies might use genetic examinations for obtaining prognoses, provided the technique was proved to be reliable and could be performed easily and at a practical cost.

She pointed out, however, that insurers do not usually order specialized tests because they are costly and time-consuming.

She said insurance doctors already investigated applicants for indications of disorders appearing in their personal or family history and would take into account the findings of any genetic tests already performed on them.

Dr Reynolds said: "If practical, genetic research would be no different from any other tests. The insurance industry endeavours to keep up with modern technology."

The European Parliament is hearing arguments about the uses that could be made of human genetics, and there is some opposition to introducing gene examinations in the field of employment.

Professor Bernd Klees told a hearing before MEPs last year: "Genetic analysis of employees must be rejected on principle, as must medical examination at recruitment and during employment for industrial health and safety reasons such as called for by certain unions, because they will inevitably lead to discrimination against those workers deemed to be particularly prone to ill health."

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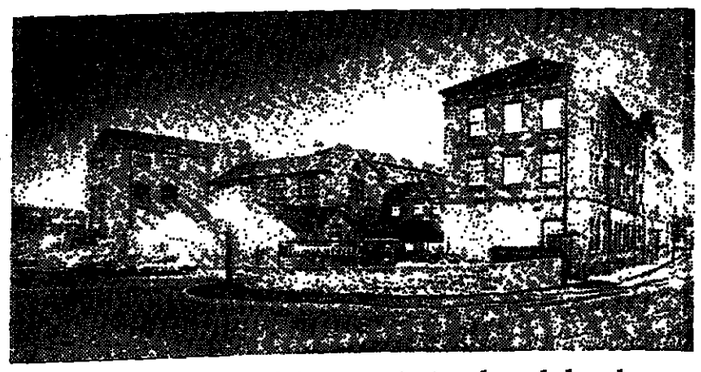
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Companies that operate pension schemes on behalf of 10 million working people are being urged to make their plans more attractive to employees.

One big step that could be taken to stop employees leaving their scheme in favour of a personal pension is a facility whereby an employee's mortgage can be paid off from the proceeds of his pension lump sum. A pension mortgage is generally regarded as the most tax-efficient way of financing the purchase of the family home, but until now the availability of this option has been confined largely to the self-employed.

The pension mortgage is one of several possibilities put



Michael Elton: NAPF remedy

forward in a new document published this week by the National Association of Pension Funds (NAPF) as part of its campaign to head off competition from government plans to allow people to opt for a personal pension from July 1988.

The £250 billion pension fund industry is concerned that employers have failed to convey the message that occupational schemes often provide an excellent deal. At the same time the NAPF concedes that few schemes are perfect and some may need a radical overhaul.

Other measures that the NAPF is challenging the pension schemes to consider in order to increase their appeal include reducing employee contributions and improving the benefits.

Schemes are also urged to make in-house additional voluntary contribution plans more attractive to members. And AVCs have been criticized as being "unadventurous investment vehicles which have failed to excite the interest of members".

The NAPF's director general Michael Elton says: "We have to face the fact that the young single person may find little to attract him to certain employer schemes." A key problem here is that in traditional schemes, where the amount of pension is directly linked to final salary, younger employees often subsidize older ones.

A remedy put forward by the NAPF is that employers should introduce a money purchase option for younger employees whereby contributions are earmarked solely for the individual employee, with the size of the pension being determined by investment performance.

The advent of personal pensions next year presents the 90,000 UK occupational pension schemes with the opportunity to wind down their pensions operations, but few companies are likely to see it in this way. A recent MORI survey found that three in four of Britain's top managers believed their pension scheme contributed to their image as caring employers.

Meanwhile, the insurance company Abbey Life has been sponsoring its own research on pensions and has found a mixture of indifference, uncertainty, ignorance and confusion among the British public. Many people are out of touch with reality in terms of their ability to finance the standard of living they expect in retirement, says Abbey.

The research conducted for the company by Gallup Poll suggests that next year's pensions revolution has fallen on deaf ears. Only one in four people claim to have heard of the changes in legislation and few appear to understand the impact that they will have on their future.

The research also highlights yawning gaps between what people think they will need to live on and what their situation is actually likely to be. Two-thirds do not know the basic weekly state old age pension for a single person, within £5. In the case of the pension for a couple, 99 per cent were more than £5 out, even among those aged 60 to 64. When told the value, nearly nine out of 10 said they would be unable to live on it.

On average, people believe they will need 70 per cent of their current income in retirement and that ignores inflation. As to how much they would like, the most popular answer is 90 per cent.



Michael Hepher: still surprised

Only four in 10 people are aware that they can opt out of the State Earnings-Related Pension Scheme (SERPS) and choose a personal pension and fewer than two in 10 understand the implications. Only a third of people have heard about their right to quit an employer's scheme in favour of a personal pension.

Abbey's managing director Michael Hepher says he suspected people had not really grasped the full impact that retirement would have on family finances but that naïvety about pensions still surprised him.

He says: "The report uncovers some astounding contradictions between people's aspirations and their appreciation of how they will manage financially in retirement — for a period spanning, probably, 20 or more years of their lives."

Peter Gartland



All done by pictures: Abbey Life's message to customers



Clive Carpenter: "More home-buyers will bid at auction"

Loans galore for auction buyers

More and more lenders are prepared to offer a mortgage for a property bought at auction. DIANA WILDMAN advises

Estate agents such as Folkard & Hayward and J. Trevor & Sons entered the auction market last year, firms and companies such as Barnard Marcus and Allsop continue to dominate the London scene, and the established agents, including Knight Frank & Rutley and Fox & Sons, hold regular country house sales.

This growing trend in residential property auctions has produced a new market in providing finance for auctioned properties. It is a service that obviously has to move speedily as most sales have to be completed within 28 days.

The larger building societies today are well disposed towards auctioned properties and can offer a loan within seven days of application, subject to valuation.

Eighteen months ago most of the big building societies introduced a mortgage certificate under which the applicant is offered a loan up to a specific sum, subject to valuation, for up to six months from the date of issue. This was actually introduced as a result of competition between the

Finance is normally non-status mortgage

building societies and other lenders but it slots nicely into auction purchase.

David Blake, of the Woolwich, suggests that a potential bidder should discuss his individual requirements with his branch manager before bidding because building society loans are granted on the current valuation of the property. So it could well be worth paying over the odds for a dilapidated place, but do not count on getting a full loan to cover renovation costs.

Allsop & Co entered the home loans market last year, represented by Allied Dunbar, which now boasts its own stand at all Allsop's auctions. The finance normally offered is in the form of a non-status mortgage and can be arranged within 48 hours of application. Rates vary but average around 11 per cent for a loan of £75,000 or over on an interest-only basis.

The London Auction Mart (01-242 8756), a self-governing body of 21 chartered surveyors, the majority being practising auctioneers of leading firms, has drawn up a code of conduct under the auspices of Allsop's auctioneering partner, Clive Carpenter.

With the introduction of an auction sales package devised by Mr Carpenter the willingness of home-buyers to bid at auction is likely to increase.

This package will include pre-contract inquiries, local authority searches, immediate insurance cover, in-house finance, and possibly vendors' surveys. All the buyers' homework will be done for them and the information will be available at the auctioneers' or the vendor's offices.

In theory, this package should substantially reduce the related legal costs.

Folkard & Hayward has a separate financial services department — Hayward Financial Services (01-935 7799) — which was set up under the auspices of Alan Rae 18 months ago.

Mr Rae says: "A lot of properties sold at auction are unmortgageable by ordinary building society standards, either because they have various structural defects or because they are totally unmodernized. My aim was to provide a source of finance for these bidders.

"We now can offer mortgages, subject to status, through the St Pancras Building Society at the monthly Folkard & Hayward auctions.

"Provided bidders pay for a valuation, for which a £75 flat fee is charged, we can give them an offer prior to auction so that they do know their upper limit.

"Because St Pancras offers higher investor rates and therefore a higher mortgage rate, the society is prepared to provide mortgages for properties which need substantially modernizing — subject to the client's status and the condition of the home.

"Up to 75 per cent of the purchase price, repayable up to 35 years in certain instances, is possible at a current rate of 2 per cent above normal building society rates, and various repayment methods are available, including endowment, straight repayment, or under an occupational or self-employed pension scheme."

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1 Jan 1983	£1,439	£1,321	£1,165	£1,154
1 Jan 1985	£2,760	£2,182	£1,282	£1,318
1 Jan 1987	£5,080	£3,270	£1,400	£1,502
16 Nov 1987	£5,302	£3,351	£1,444	£1,566

All performance figures include income reinvested net of basic-rate tax. Mercury Recovery Fund figures reflect the price at which units could have been sold. Source: MICROPAL

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	Distribution Offer Price	Accumulation Offer Price	Yield %	Distribution Dates
British Blue Chip	39.6p xd	40.3p	3.06	15 May/15 Nov
Global	40.7p	40.7p	0.84	15 May
Recovery	230.1p xd	252.0p	3.14	15 June/15 Dec

The Managers are empowered to write or purchase Traded Call Options and to purchase Traded Put Options on behalf of the funds. Up to 35% of the funds may be invested on the Unlisted Securities Market or, as appropriate, other international equivalents. Commission is payable to qualified intermediaries; rates are available on request.

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Recovery (Minimum £35 monthly)	£

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Island haven in search of an image

ISLE OF MAN

Financial disasters can sometimes be effective catalysts of change. The Isle of Man is certainly hoping so. MIHIR BOSE reports

The Manx-based Savings and Investment Bank collapsed five years ago, leaving 3,000 depositors wondering whether they had any hope of recovering the £40 million lost in the process.

Gwendoline Lamb, the small depositors' champion, has tried to persuade the Isle of Man Government to accept responsibility for the debts but depositors may get nothing at all back.

However, the island authorities, with a mixture of repentance and renewal, are confident that such a tragedy will never be allowed to happen again.

Miles Walker, the island's Chief Minister, says: "The Savings and Investment Bank did give us an unfortunate image but since then we have put our house in order. It was a tragedy but it concentrated people's minds on how the Isle of Man should develop.

"Since 1982 our strategy has been to advance the island economy through insurance, manufacturing and merchant ship management. We have ensured that legislation and personnel are in place."

Now the island is seeking designated country status from our own Securities and Investments Board. Recently the United States Securities and Exchange Commission visited the Isle of Man and David Cannan, the Treasury Minister, observed: "The US financial authorities appreciate that we have regulatory standards of the highest authority. Our policy is that there should be no more nameplate operations and we are looking for business at the top end of the market."

Such lofty ambition is clearly dictated by self-interest. The offshore financial world is often a murky place, which most people see as a useful location for avoiding taxation.

The Isle of Man's lack of official status means that Manx-managed unit trusts cannot be marketed directly in the UK. And at the moment anyone who wants to use an Isle of Man insurance company must be told that it is not under the same legislation as UK companies.

The Isle of Man insurance companies do not have the sort of lifeboat facility that their UK counterparts do.

But Robin Bigland, chief executive of Isle of Man Assurance Group, says: "Some form of lifeboat arrangement is likely to be in place very soon and it is not only going to be very like the one in the UK – it could be even bigger and better. When that is in place a lot of doubt will be assuaged."

Mr Bigland admits that the island's handling of the Savings and Investment Bank affair was unfortunate but points out that since that debacle a banking supervisor and an insurance supervisor have been appointed and have functioned effectively.

It is important for the Isle of Man to get rid of the nameplate operations and get on the right side of the UK and American regulatory authorities. For too long they have been overshadowed by the Channel Islands and the offshore centres of the Caribbean. Now the Isle of Man has the chance to strike back.

Mr Walker says: "Jersey and Guernsey have a physical problem. They cannot accommodate any more people. The Caribbean islands have a political problem with stigma attached to many of them. We suffer from neither disability. We are more than 15 times the size of Guernsey but have 10,000 fewer people so there's a lot of room for growth."

With Jersey and Guernsey out of bounds for all but the extremely rich, the Isle of Man clearly sees possibilities of financial growth. With income tax at a flat 20 per cent and a stable political climate, the freshly scrubbed clean image has begun to pay dividends.

The distinguished names recently attracted to the island are Robert Fleming, Warburg Investment Management and Hong Kong and Shanghai.

Mr Walker proudly points out that not all those who apply get in. Quite a few are deterred by the island's regulatory framework. "Many come to see us," he says, "but quite a few leave even before finishing their cup of tea."

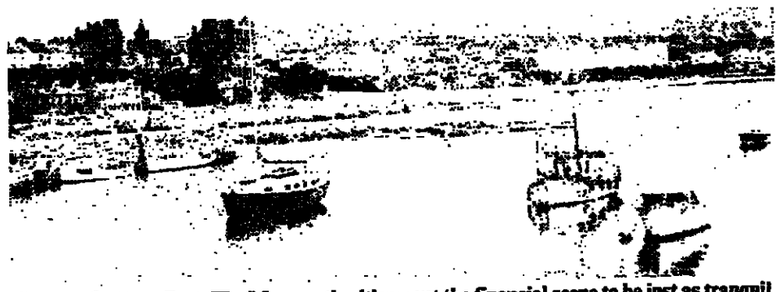
Those who stay to finish that cup of tea range from financial institutions to industrial ones, with De Beers having opened a multi-million-dollar diamond-cutting complex in the freeport.

But the island's real strength lies in financial devices such as captive insurance companies. A captive insurance company is a wholly owned entity that carries the insurance business of its parent group rather than placing it with outsiders.

Mr Bigland, whose group manages a number of captives, is confident that in a few years the island will rival Bermuda as the headquarters of the captive business.

"At the moment we have just 40 captive insurance companies compared with 150 in Bermuda, though in the last two years the number has grown and so has the quality," he says. "We now have captive insurance companies belonging to Standard Chartered, Dixons, British Gas and C.H. Beazer."

But if the Isle of Man is fully to recapture investors' loyalty it will have to do something about the Savings and Investment Bank. Mention of its collapse makes most of the Manx officials and businessmen uncomfortable. Despite the brave talk they are aware that there is a blot on the island's reputation that will not be removed too easily.



Peace at St Mary Port: The Manx authorities want the financial scene to be just as tranquil

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The fund will be invested primarily in the world's major traded currencies, and the distribution of assets between them will be determined by the managers.

Initially, Christopher Fawcett, managing director of Dumenil Unit Trust Management, says the basket of currencies will include the yen and European currencies, with a little exposure to the American dollar.

The fund will usually be invested in bank deposits, but certificates of deposit, bank acceptances and Treasury bills may also be held.

Mr Fawcett says the fund may invest in options or financial futures, as a hedge against existing investments, "but these will not be used as a speculative device".

Dumenil is encouraging investors to use the fund as a short-term home, by offering a 2.5 per cent discount on switches made from the managed currency fund to any of Dumenil's other funds.

The Dumenil Managed Currency Fund is a limited company, registered in Guernsey. Up to 50 million 1p redeemable participating preference shares are being offered at £1 each. The initial charge is 3 per cent and the annual management fee is 0.75 per cent. The fund will aim to provide income and capital growth. Distributions will be paid twice a year.



Christopher Fawcett: "hedge"

The fund will be seeking distributor status from the Inland Revenue. In cases where distributor status is not granted, if someone disposes of an investment in an offshore fund that does not distribute at least 85 per cent of its income annually, the investor will be taxed on the entire gain as if it were income.

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(c) an International Placing of 18,000,000 Units with New Warrants, at a price of 175p plus FRF17.50 per Unit.

The prices per Unit in the French Offer and the International Placing represent the approximate equivalents on 12th November, 1987 of the price per Unit in the UK Offer.

Preference will be given in respect of a maximum of 2,400,000 Units with New Warrants (1.1 per cent. of the Issue, and 2.4 per cent. of the UK Offer before any variation as mentioned below) to applications received on preferential application forms relating to the UK Offer from Eurotunnel personnel, as described in the full prospectus.

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Each Unit comprises one share in Eurotunnel P.L.C. ("EPLC") and one share in Eurotunnel S.A. ("ESA"). There will be issued with each Unit an EPLC warrant and an ESA warrant twinned to constitute a New Warrant. EPLC and ESA shares and these warrants will be listed and dealt in only in the forms of Units and New Warrants. The New Warrants may be traded separately from the Units at any time after the Issue. New Warrants will be exercisable only in integral multiples of ten. Initially, every ten New Warrants will entitle the holder to subscribe one Unit at a price of 230p plus FRF23 between 15th November, 1990 and 15th November, 1992. The number of Units obtainable on exercise of ten New Warrants is, however, subject to adjustment as set out in the section headed "Description of the New Warrants" of the full prospectus.

Arrangements have been made which may result in the number of Units with New Warrants comprised in the UK Offer being increased or decreased, the size of the French Offer and/or the International Placing being adjusted accordingly. These arrangements are summarised in the section headed "Issue arrangements" of the full prospectus.

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In applying for Units with New Warrants, you will be treated as applying both on the terms and conditions set out below and on the basis of the full prospectus dated 16th November, 1987 comprising listing particulars relating to Eurotunnel P.L.C. and Eurotunnel S.A., which together govern your rights and obligations. Copies of the full prospectus are available at UK branches of National Westminster Bank PLC, Midland Bank plc, Bank of Scotland and Ulster Bank Limited. If you need advice, you should consult your bank manager, stockbroker, solicitor, accountant or other professional adviser.

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Travel privileges

Individuals who continue to hold Units personally acquired by them under the UK Offer will be entitled, upon payment (with effect from the year of opening of the Eurotunnel System) of a registration fee expected to be approximately £10 (at July 1987 prices) per year, and provided that specified conditions are satisfied, to make the following numbers of trips on Eurotunnel shuttles at a nominal charge for each one-way journey of £1 or 10 French francs per vehicle.

Number of Units personally purchased and held	
100	One return shuttle trip to be taken within 12 months of the System opening
500	One return shuttle trip per year for the first ten years of operation
1,000	Two return shuttle trips per year until the end of the Concession period in 2042
1,500	An unlimited number of shuttle trips until the end of the Concession period

Further information concerning these arrangements and a summary of the conditions which must be satisfied before the privileges can be claimed are set out in the section headed "Travel privileges" of the full prospectus.

Applications and allocations

Applications must be received in accordance with the instructions set out below. The right is reserved to reject, in whole or in part, any application. Once made, applications *may not be withdrawn.*

The application list will open at 10.00 a.m. (London time) on 27th November, 1987 and may be closed at any time thereafter. The basis of allocation of Units with New Warrants is expected to be announced on Monday, 30th November, 1987.

If you are successful, in whole or in part, you will be sent renounceable letters of acceptance for the Units with New *Warrants allocated to you. If there is heavy demand, you may* receive fewer Units with New Warrants than you applied for or, in some cases, none at all. If your application is not *accepted, all money paid on application will be returned* (without interest). If your application is accepted in part, you will receive (without interest) a refund cheque in respect of the balance of the money paid on application.

Renounceable letters of acceptance are expected to be sent to successful applicants on Wednesday, 9th December, 1987. It is expected that dealings in the Units and the New Warrants on The Stock Exchange and the *Bourse*, Paris will commence on Thursday, 10th December, 1987.

Terms and conditions of application under the UK Offer

1. The contracts created by the acceptance of applications under the UK Offer will be conditional upon (i) the Council of The Stock Exchange agreeing not later than 15th December, 1987 to admit all the Units and the New Warrants issued, and to be issued under the Issue, to the Official List, (ii) the *Commission des Opérations de Bourse* deciding not later than 15th December, 1987 to admit all the Units and the New Warrants issued, and to be issued under the Issue, to *La Cote Officielle* on the *Bourse*, and (iii) the provisions relating to termination of the UK Offer for Sale Agreement, the French Underwriting Agreement and the International Subscription Agreement referred to in section 13 under the heading "Further information" in the Prospectus (as defined below) not being implemented. Application moneys will be returned (without interest) if any of these conditions is not satisfied and, in the meantime, if presented for payment, will be retained by the receiving banks in separate accounts.
2. Except where the context otherwise requires, terms defined in the full prospectus relating to the UK Offer dated 16th November, 1987, comprising listing particulars regarding EPLC and ESA (the "Prospectus"), bear the same meaning when used in these terms and conditions or in the application form.
3. Shares of 40p each in EPLC, shares of FRF 10 each in ESA and New Warrants issued pursuant to applications received under the UK Offer will be registered in the names of successful applicants or persons in whose favour renounceable letters of acceptance are duly renounced, free of registration fees, provided that, in cases of renunciation, letters of acceptance (duly completed in accordance with the instructions therein) are lodged for registration not later than 3.00 p.m. (London time) on 22nd January, 1988.
4. The right is reserved to reject in whole or in part or to scale down any application received under the UK Offer including, without limitation, multiple or suspected multiple applications and to present for payment any cheques or banker's drafts received. If any application is not accepted in whole or in part or is scaled down, the application moneys or, as the case may be, the balance of those moneys will be returned (without interest) by posting to the first-named applicant the cheque or banker's draft accompanying the application or a crossed cheque in favour of the applicant or applicants.
5. The right is reserved to treat any application received as valid and binding on an applicant or applicants even if the application form is not complete in all respects or is not accompanied by a power of attorney, where required.
6. If you are an individual eligible for travel privileges, or if you are applying on behalf of a named child under 18 years of age, EPLC will, in consideration of your making payment for the Units with New Warrants for which your application is accepted, make available the entitlement to travel privileges on the terms and conditions set out in the section entitled "Travel privileges" in the Prospectus. If you do not complete the box on the application form relating to the UK Offer claiming travel privileges, you will not be entitled to any travel privileges.
7. By completing and delivering an application form relating to the UK Offer, you:
   (I) *offer to purchase from any one or more of the UK Issuing* Houses that number of EPLC shares and that number of ESA shares as represents the number of Units (each with one New Warrant) specified in your application form (or any smaller number for which the application is accepted) at the price per Unit indicated in the application form, subject to the Prospectus, these terms and conditions and, in due course, the memorandum and articles of association of EPLC and the *statuts* of ESA and the terms and conditions of the New Warrants set out in the relevant warrant instrument/board resolution;
   (II) authorise National Westminster Bank PLC and Midland Bank plc (together, the "Receiving Banks") and each of them, on behalf of the UK Issuing Houses to send a renounceable letter of acceptance representing the number of Units with New Warrants for which your application is accepted and, where appropriate, a crossed cheque for any money returnable, or the cheque or banker's draft accompanying the application, by post to your address as set out in your application form and to procure that your name, together with the name or names of any other joint applicant or applicants, is or are placed on the registers of members of EPLC and of ESA in respect of such Units and New Warrants as comprise Units and New Warrants the rights to which have not been duly renounced; and in these terms and conditions references to rights being duly renounced mean the renouncee(s) being registered by a Receiving Bank in relation to such rights;
   (III) agree that, as a collateral contract between you and the UK Issuing Houses effective upon receipt by a Receiving Bank of your application, and in consideration of the UK Issuing Houses agreeing not to offer for sale any Units or New Warrants prior to 16th December, 1987 other than pursuant to the Issue, your application may not be revoked until after 15th December, 1987;
   (IV) agree that, in respect of those Units and New Warrants for which your application has been received and processed and *is not rejected, acceptance of your application shall* be constituted, at the election of the UK Issuing Houses, either by notification to The Stock Exchange of the basis of allocation (in which case such acceptance shall be on that basis) or by notification of such acceptance to a Receiving Bank;
   (V) authorise National Westminster Bank PLC to enter into such arrangements as it may think fit with Banque Indosuez, the receiving bank for the French Offer, whether before or after the Issue shall have become unconditional, with a view to ensuring that ESA receives sufficient funds in French francs to permit the shares to be issued by it under the UK Offer to be duly issued in accordance with French law;
   (VI) warrant that your remittance will be honoured on first presentation;
   (VII) agree that any letter of acceptance and any moneys returnable to you may be retained pending clearance of your remittance;
   (VIII) if you complete the box on the application form relating to the UK Offer claiming travel privileges, warrant that you are eligible to do so as set out in the section entitled "Travel privileges" in the Prospectus;
   (IX) agree that all documents in connection with the travel privileges may be posted at the risk of the person entitled thereto to the address set out in the relevant application form, or such other address as may from time to time be recorded in the register of members of EPLC;
   (X) agree that, without prejudice to any other rights to which you may be entitled, you will not be able to exercise any remedy of rescission for innocent misrepresentation at any time after acceptance of your application;
   (XI) agree that all applications, acceptances of applications and contracts relating to the UK Offer will be governed by and construed in accordance with English law and agree to submit *to the jurisdiction of the English courts;*
   (XII) agree that time shall be of the essence of the contract constituted by the acceptance of your application;
   (XIII) warrant that, if you sign the application form on behalf of somebody else or on behalf of a corporation, you have due authority so to do;
   (XIV) warrant that you are not a United States person (as defined in paragraph 2 of the section entitled "Applications and allocations" of the Prospectus) and that you are not applying on behalf of such a person; and
   (XV) confirm that in making your application you are not relying on *any information or representation relating to Eurotunnel, the* UK Offer or the Issue other than the information and representations contained in the Prospectus, or in the mini prospectus published in connection with the UK Offer when taken together with the Prospectus, and you accordingly agree that no person responsible for the Prospectus or the mini prospectus or any part of either of them will have any liability for any such other information or representation.
8. All documents, banker's drafts and cheques sent by post by any of the UK Issuing Houses or any Receiving Bank will be sent at the risk of the person or persons entitled thereto.

Photocopies of this application form will not be accepted in any circumstances.

How to apply under the UK Offer

1 **Put in Box 1 of the application form (in figures) the number of Units with New Warrants for which you are applying. You may only apply for one of the numbers of Units with New Warrants indicated below.**

Number of Units with New Warrants for which you are applying	Amount payable	Number of Units with New Warrants for which you are applying	Amount payable
100	£350	750	£2,625
200	£700	1,000	£3,500
300	£1,050	1,250	£4,375
400	£1,400	1,500	£5,250
500	£1,750	2,000	£7,000

Above 2,000 Units with New Warrants, applications must be in the following denominations:

Applications		*Multiples of*
2,000 to 10,000	Units with New Warrants	1,000
over 10,000	Units with New Warrants	10,000

2 **Using the column headed "Amount payable" in the table above, put in Box 2 of the application form (in figures) the amount payable.**

3 **Sign the application form in Box 3 and date it.**
The application form may be signed by someone else on your behalf if he or she is authorised to do so. An agent should enclose the power of attorney appointing him (unless he is a Selling Agent, Financial Intermediary or UK Clearing Bank (as defined in the Prospectus)) and should state the capacity in which he signs.
A corporation must sign under the hand of a duly authorised official whose name and representative capacity must be stated.

4 **If you are an individual and wish to claim travel privileges write 'YES' in Box 4 of the application form.**
If you do not write 'YES' in Box 4 you will not be entitled to any travel privileges. Please read the section of the Prospectus entitled 'Travel privileges' before completing the box. If you are a joint applicant you should read 7 below.

5 **Put in Box 5 your full name and address in block capitals. Only one application should be made for the benefit of any person.**
Applications may only be made by persons over 18. However, a parent, grandparent or guardian of a child under 18 may apply for the benefit of that child. Not more than one application may be made for the benefit of a particular child. To apply for the benefit of a child, you should put your own name in Box 5 and, after your surname, write "a/c" followed by the full name of the child and the child's date of birth. Applying for one or more children will not prevent you from making a single application for your own benefit.
The right is reserved to reject multiple or suspected multiple applications.

6 **Pin to Box 6 where indicated a cheque or banker's draft for the amount you have entered in Box 2. The cheque must be made payable to "Eurotunnel UK Offer" and crossed "Not negotiable". A separate cheque or banker's draft must accompany each application.**
The payment must relate solely to this application. No receipt will be issued.
The cheque or banker's draft must be drawn in pounds sterling on an account of a branch of a bank in the UK, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man and must bear a UK bank sort code number in the top right hand corner. If you do not have a cheque account, you can obtain a cheque or banker's draft from your building society, your bank or a third party, in which case you should print your full name(s) and address on the back of the cheque or banker's draft.
An application may be accompanied by a cheque drawn by someone other than the applicant(s) or by banker's draft, but any moneys returned will be sent by cheque crossed "Not negotiable—a/c payee only" in favour of the applicant(s).

7 **Joint applications**
You may apply jointly with up to three other people, provided each applicant is aged 18 or over. They should complete and sign Box 7. The first-named of two joint holders will, during his lifetime, be eligible for the travel privileges. However, if more than two persons apply *jointly, none of them will qualify* for travel privileges.
Anyone signing on behalf of any joint applicant(s) should follow the instructions for agents in 3 above.

Instructions for the return of your application form

Send your completed application form, together with a cheque or banker's draft for payment, by post (or deliver it by hand) to arrive not later than 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 27th November, 1987 at the appropriate address immediately below according to the first letter of your surname (or corporate name) inserted in Box 5.

A to L: National Westminster Bank PLC,
New Issues Department,
PO Box 79, 2 Princes Street,
London EC2P 2BD

M to Z: Midland Bank plc,
Stock Exchange Services Department,
Mariner House, Pepys Street,
London EC3N 4DA

You should use FIRST CLASS post and allow at least two days for delivery.

Or take this form by hand by 3.30 p.m. on Thursday, 26th November, 1987 to any of the additional receiving centres listed on the back of the application form in the mini prospectus and the full prospectus.

EURO TUNNEL Application form

Before completing this form, you should read carefully the notes opposite.

To: Robert Fleming & Co. Limited, Morgan Grenfell & Co. Limited, S. G. Warburg & Co. Ltd., Eurotunnel P.L.C. and Eurotunnel S.A.

I/We offer to purchase _____ Units with New Warrants **1**

on and subject to the terms and conditions set out in the full prospectus dated 16th November, 1987 relating to the UK Offer, comprising listing particulars regarding EPLC and ESA (the "Prospectus"), at a price of 350p per Unit (with one New Warrant attached)

and I/we attach a cheque or banker's draft for the amount payable of £ _____ **2**

Signature _____ Date 1987 **3**

If you wish to receive travel privileges and are an individual eligible for travel privileges or are applying on behalf of a child, write 'YES' in the box. If you do not write 'YES' in the box, you will not be entitled to any travel privileges. Details are set out in the section in the Prospectus entitled "Travel privileges". **4**

Please use block capitals — *Sole or First Joint Applicant* **5**

Mr., Mrs., Miss, Ms or title _____ Forename(s) in full _____

Surname _____

Address _____

_____ Postcode _____

☐ ← Pin here a cheque or banker's draft for the amount in Box 2, payable to "Eurotunnel UK Offer" and crossed "Not negotiable". **6**

JOINT APPLICANTS **7**

Insert below the names of the other joint applicants in BLOCK CAPITALS who must sign in the right hand column. Travel privileges will not be available if there are more than two applicants.

I/We join in this application and give the declarations set out above.

	Mr., Mrs., Miss, Ms or title	Forename(s) in full	Surname	Signature
2nd joint applicant				
3rd joint applicant				
4th joint applicant				

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1. Acceptance number.	
2 Units accepted	
3 Amount received	£
4. Amount payable	£
5. Amount returned	£
6. Cheque number	

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Those claiming commission (or reallowance of commission) should stamp both boxes applicable to them.

Stamp of person claiming commission and VAT reg no	Stamp of other intermediary claiming reallowance of commission and VAT reg. no	Stamp of person claiming commission and VAT reg no	Stamp of other intermediary claiming reallowance of commission and VAT reg. no
(if not registered for VAT, put "none")	(if not registered for VAT put "none")	(if not registered for VAT, put "none")	(if not registered for VAT, put "none")
Acceptance no	Units accepted	Acceptance no	Units accepted
Commissions calculated		Commissions calculated	

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DHSS

For elderly and disabled people, single parents and families with small children, the onset of winter represents the start of the annual battle against the cold and those ever-increasing fuel bills.

These vulnerable groups receive some help with heating costs but, unfortunately, by the time the relevant information reaches them, many people will have endured freezing conditions rather than turning up the heat for fear of crippling bills.

People receiving Supplementary Benefit (SB) may be entitled to an extra weekly additional payment towards their heating costs. These allowances are to be abolished next April except for people who have already established their entitlement to an addition, so it is worth checking the criteria for heating additions now and claiming as soon as possible.

In any case, if you do qualify for an addition you should claim immediately so as to obtain the extra money this winter. The table shows the criteria for, and the value of, these additions.

There are several points to note here.

FIRST, in most cases it is possible to receive only *one* weekly heating addition. However, claimants satisfying a lower rate (£2.20) condition and a higher rate (£5.55) condition will receive the higher rate. If they satisfy the lower rate conditions for both health *and* accommodation reasons, again, they will receive the higher rate payment.

An exception to this "one only" rule applies to the addition for disabled people – they can receive an addition for *every* person in the household who is receiving either Attendance Allowance or Mobility Allowance.

SECONDLY, the table shows a central heating condition. This was actually abolished for new claimants in 1985 and is now available only to householders who were already receiving the addition on August 5, 1985. Nevertheless, if you would have been entitled to this addition had you claimed, you should claim now and ask for the arrears to be paid.

The new practice, introduced last year, of paying exceptionally severe weather payments will be resurrected this winter. These payments are available to certain SB recipients whose savings are less than £500. To qualify the claimant must be:

Code of practice to avoid hardship

- A householder on SB with a chronically sick or disabled member of the family, or
- A householder on SB with a child under the age of two, or
- A householder on SB with someone aged over 65 in the family.

According to current information, the exceptionally severe weather payment for this year will be worth £5 for every week (Monday to Sunday) in which the average temperature for the week drops to 0°C (32°F). The payment may be made weekly or in one or two lump sums, depending on the claimant's individual circumstances.

Whether or not a person is on SB, the fuel boards are supposed to operate a code of practice to prevent undue hardship occurring through disconnection for the non-payment of fuel bills. So, for example, if all the people living in the household are pensioners and it is clear that they do not have the means with which to pay the bill, disconnection should not be carried out between October 1 and March 31.

In addition, the fuel boards should not disconnect if the consumer agrees to pay off the debt in instalments or where a slot meter is safe and practical to install. Do note that in the latter case fuel boards can recalibrate meters so that they both collect for current consumption and for payment towards the debt.

Some fuel boards have been setting the debt element so high that consumers have been unable to afford to feed the meter – thus they have not had access to fuel for current consumption.

The better option then is to negotiate for payments by instalments. If you do negotiate such an agreement, make sure that your agreed weekly payments are not unrealistically high because boards can, and often do, disconnect as soon as an instalment agreement is broken.

Fuel boards must normally give 48 hours' notice of their intention to disconnect and, according to the codes of practice, disconnections will not be carried out unless there is an adult at home, except in cases where the board has obtained an entry warrant.

Pensioners, people who are sick or disabled, people with children under the age of 11, and those on low incomes should be allowed a 14-day

Longer delay may be negotiated

stay of execution to enable them to apply to the DHSS or the local social services department for help towards the bill.

However, because the DHSS, in particular, rarely processes claims within 14 days, it is possible to negotiate a longer delay, pending the outcome of the decision. Remember that disconnection applies only to arrears for fuel consumption – it cannot be used in respect of hire purchase or credit sale debts.

If a consumer is unfortunate enough to have been disconnected, he or she may be asked to pay a deposit before the supply is reconnected – indeed, *new* customers may also be asked for a deposit.

However, according to the codes of practice, deposits should not be required from those who have agreed to pay by budget account or fuel direct, or where a slot meter has been installed, or an acceptable credit reference has been supplied.

Do not freeze this winter, ask about your entitlements at the local DHSS office, and ask your local fuel board for a copy of its code of practice. Be armed with information, and stay warm.

Charles Jackson

ADDITIONS FOR PEOPLE ON SB

Health grounds

- For people who find it difficult to get about owing to chronic ill-health or disabilities £2.20
- For those who are housebound or unable to leave home alone or who need extra heating because of illness £5.55
- For those who are bedfast and need a constant room temperature £5.55
- For anyone receiving Attendance Allowance or Mobility Allowance, or War Pensioner's Mobility Supplement, or help under a government vehicle scheme £5.55

Accommodation grounds

- Where the home is difficult to heat because of the presence of damp or because the rooms are large £2.20
- Where the home is *exceptionally* hard to heat because it is in an exposed position or is very old £5.55

Estate rate grounds – that is, where the house or flat is on an estate recognized as having a very expensive heating system

- Not more than four rooms £4.40
- Five or more rooms £8.80

Age grounds (for householders only)

- Where the claimant or one of his/her dependants is over 65, or has a child aged under two £2.20
- Where the claimant or his/her partner is 85 or older ... £5.55

Long-term rate grounds

- For those receiving long-term SB because they are incapable of full-time or part-time work because of illness or disability or, because they are self-employed or blind and their earnings are significantly reduced owing to a disability, or because they are disabled pupils or pupils receiving benefit during term time £2.20

Central heating grounds

- Where central heating or electric storage radiators are the normal means of heating the home:

Not more than four rooms £2.20
Five or more rooms £4.40

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EDUCATION

How can you use the tax system to save for a child's college education if there is no grandparent or other relative prepared to make gifts under a deed of covenant?

That is the problem facing Colin and Margaret, whose daughter Jennifer seems set to go to university in five years' time. Right now, while she is living with her parents at home and attending the local comprehensive school, Colin and Margaret do not need to draw on the income from their building society account, where they have accumulated about £10,000 from various sources, including a small legacy.

But when Jennifer goes to university at age 18, the costs will rise considerably. There will be rent, meals, books and probably a fair amount of travel. The student grant is likely to be very minimal because both parents work and their income is at the moment more or less at the level where only the minimum grant is paid by the local authority.

In any case, it is difficult to be too optimistic about the future of student grants. At some point, they could quite easily be turned into loans and, however low the interest rates, Margaret and Colin are reluctant to burden their daughter with a heavy debt when she starts work.

Therefore, they would very much like to build up some funds to help to supplement their income during the period when Jennifer is in higher education.

One obvious way would be to prevail on one or other (or both) sets of grandparents to set up a deed of covenant in Jennifer's favour and put the proceeds into a savings plan. The trouble is that Margaret's parents are now both dead and Colin's widowed mother can hardly support herself — let alone make gifts, however tax-efficiently.

Colin contemplated channelling some money back to his mother for her to pass



'Bare infant trust' device was used

down as a covenant — but he decided against this after hearing some horror stories from an accountant friend about clients who had been caught indulging in just this kind of rather public tax evasion.

They discovered, however, that it was still possible to get the taxman on their side by using a relatively little known device called the "vested accumulation settlement" or, more memorably, the "bare infant trust". The purpose of this arrangement is to accumulate tax-free interest for the benefit of a child.

In principle at least, a trust is a reasonably simple arrangement involving three main categories of people.

There is the "settlor" of the trust — the person who makes the gift and sets up the trust, in this case the parents.

Then there is the beneficiary — their child Jennifer. In many trusts there is more than one beneficiary.

Finally, there are the trustees, whose job it is to hold and look after the trust assets for Jennifer's benefit. In this instance, the parents themselves will also act as the trustees.

Normally, the situation on gifts of money by parents to their infants (that is, children under 18 who are not married) is that the income from the gifted cash or assets is taxed as if it belongs to the parent.

But there are certain circumstances where this rule does not apply. If the trust cannot be revoked (in effect, the person making the gift or that person's husband or wife

Good for taxpayer on higher rates

cannot benefit under the settlement), and if the income rolls up in the trust, then the income will not be taxed at the parents' rate. The rate at which it will be taxed depends on the type of trust.

In most such trusts, an element of flexibility is built into the provisions. Typically, in the unlikely event of the child dying, another person might benefit — perhaps a brother or sister. In this case, the income will roll up subject to a 45 per cent tax rate — which might not be too unattractive for a higher-rate taxpayer paying tax at 60 per cent. But it is decidedly less interesting for more lowly paid families.

However, if the trust is an

Personal allowance set against income

absolute, or bare, trust and the income is accumulated, it will be treated as the child's income and will be taxed at the child's own tax rate. As Jennifer has no other income from employments or deeds of covenant or other settlements, she has the whole of her personal allowance available to set against this income. So up to £2,425 income this year can accumulate tax-free in the bare infant trust.

"Absolute" or "bare" essentially means that the income and assets of the trust fall into Jennifer's estate if she dies before reaching the age of 18 and she will also be absolutely entitled to the proceeds at 18.

So Jennifer's parents can invest for her and the income will roll up at gross rates free of tax — getting, say, 10 per cent per year rather than 8.3 per cent or less. With £10,000 capital to invest in this way, the interest will be £1,000 a year instead of, say, £830 — a saving of £170 a year.

What type of investments should Margaret and Colin consider for the trust? They have up to £2,425 income which can be generated for the trust this year on a tax-free basis. So high-yielding investments are clearly attractive.

The obvious investments are those that pay out income without deducting tax like the National Savings Bank accounts or gilt-edged securities bought on the National Savings Register.

Another possibility would be high-yielding equity investments, where the basic-rate tax that has already in effect been paid on the dividends can be claimed back from the taxman, although this is a bit of a chore. Some of the split-level high-yielding investment trusts, which generate a very substantial level of dividends, could be worth exploring in this context, even though holding them to redemption will normally involve incurring a capital loss.

It is wise to avoid investments such as most building society and bank deposits that have suffered composite rate tax at source that cannot be claimed back from the Inland Revenue.

In general, it is only a good idea to set this arrangement up for a child who looks as if he or she will be reasonably responsible. It also pays to use a lawyer to draw up the trust even though it is a simple arrangement.

Tax buffs and others who want chapter and verse should look at the Finance Act, 1973, 16 (2b) and two relevant tax cases — Stanley v IRC 1944 and IRC v Berrill 1981.

Danby Bloch and Raymond Godfrey

Portfolio — Gold —

For readers who may have missed a copy of *The Times* this week, we repeat below the week's *Portfolio* price changes (today's are on page 29).

Share No	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat		Weekly Total
1	+8	+6	+4	+2	+4			
2	+3	+6	+2	+6	+3			
3	+4	+5	+6	+6	+4			
4	+5	+4	+4	+5	+4			
5	+7	+7	+3	+4	+5			
6	+4	+4	+4	+1	+2			
7	+5	+5	+3	+5	+2			
8	+3	+5	+5	+5	+3			
9	+4	+7	+2	+6	+2			
10	+7	+5	+3	+4	+3			
11	+3	+5	+5	+7	+2			
12	+6	+6	+5	+3	+4			
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15	+4	+6	+2	+4	+2			
16	+5	+4	+3	+3	+2			
17	+7	+6	+4	+2	+2			
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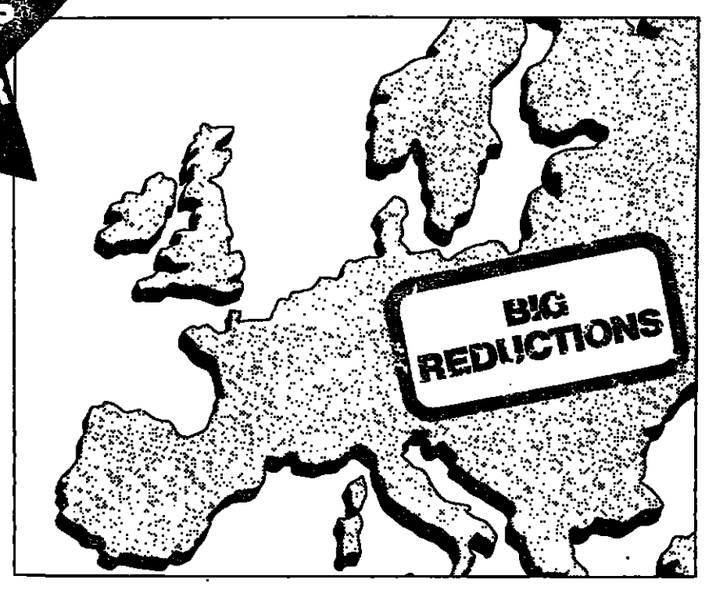
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Unit trust losers in the market collapse



Mark Boleat: receipts up

The stock market crash last month inevitably took its toll on the unit trust industry. At the beginning of October, the Unit Trust Association reported a record set of figures, with the value of funds under management breaking the £50 billion barrier for the first time. By the end of the month, it had a rather different story to tell.

The UTA announced this week that the value of funds under management had fallen by almost 26 per cent, to £37.4 billion at the end of October. In spite of this substantial setback, however, the figure is higher than it was in January and February this year.

Not surprisingly, gross sales fell, and the net new investment figure plummeted from an all-time high of £1,159.1 million in September, to just £246.7 million.

Similarly, many investors decided to bail out, and as a result the industry had to buy back £895.7 million of units.

The unit trust industry's loss undoubtedly proved to be the building societies' gain. The Building Societies' Association had been expecting another poor month in October, on the grounds that account holders would be withdrawing their savings to buy shares in BP, but the figures announced this week show that investors were more than happy to plough their money back into the building societies.

Mark Boleat, director-general of the BSA, reported that net receipts had shot up to £812 million during October. In contrast, the figure for September was just £197 million. He attributed this reversal to the fact that the stock market collapse had re-emphasized the attraction of capital-certain accounts.

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Ephesians 1 : 7

BIRTHS

ATKINSON - On November 11th 1987, to Rosemary (née Angel) and Nigel, a daughter, Victoria Claire Scott.

BELL - On November 10th, to Mary (née Ross) and Alistair a son, John Francis Ross.

BLACK - On November 18th 1987, to Siobhan and Ian, a son and brother for Charlotte and Eleanore.

BLAKE - See Krekis.

BROWN - On 16th November at Pembury Hospital, Tunbridge Wells, to Penelope (née Fishwick) and David, a son, James Edward Frederick.

BURGESS - On November 16th 1987, to Jill (née Manson) and John, a son, Frederick Townley, a brother for Emma.

CARD - On November 17th, to Juliet (née Blackstone) and John, a daughter, Chloe Georgina, a sister for Oliver and Maxim.

DESSAIN - On November 19th, to Virginia (née Tallents) and Mark, a son.

FLINT - On November 12th, at Queen Charlottes Hospital to Cheryth (née Tighe) and Dominic, a daughter, Caroline Miranda Jane, a sister for Julia.

FORD - On November 13th to Laura (née Chenevix-Trench) and Nicholas, a son, Edward Christopher Gillespie.

GAMMON - On 18th November, to Rowena and Max, a son, Matthew William.

HOPKINS - On November 14th, to Emma (née Roose) and David, a son, Toby, a brother for Owen and Bethan.

HUDSON - On November 18th to Suki and Christopher, a daughter.

KREKIS - On November 14th 1987, to Simone (née Blake) and James, a son, Theo James.

LEONARD - On November 18th, to Kate (née Worsley) and Hugh, a son.

NORTHMORE - On November 14th, to Bronwen (née Howell) and Richard, a son, David Gerald, a brother for Anna and Henry.

SELLAR - On November 11th, 1987 to Louise and Robin, a son, George, a brother for Ralph and Eleanor.

STEVENS - On November 20th, to Berta (née Turnbull), and Paul, of Cossington, a son.

WAKEFIELD - On November 17th, at The John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford, to Elizabeth and Simon, a son, Sebastian George.

WAUBEY - On November 17th, in Bristol, to Veronica (née Hewitt) and Charles, a daughter, Caroline Sarah.

WILLS - On November 10th, at Winchester, to Susie (née Owers) and Peter, a son, Arthur Patrick.

ZEMENIDES - On November 20th 1987, to Helen and Fanny, a daughter, Andrea.

SILVER ANNIVERSARIES

SPELLER-SHERRITT - On 17th November 1962 at St James's, Spanish Place, John to Marilla.

RUBY ANNIVERSARIES

MERRY - Ian W. and Rosemary (née Calder) on 22nd November 1947, at St Barnabas Church, Addison Rd, W14. Parents of Dr. Elisabeth, 26 years at 3, The Grange, Hartley Wintney, Hampshire, greetings to all their friends.

NEWBY-RICHARDSON - On November 22nd 1947 in Chelsea, William to Elizabeth now in Eastbourne. "Come grow old with me the best is yet to be".

DEATHS

BAILEY - On November 18th, peacefully following a car accident, Mercia (Mickey) devoted wife of the late Eldon Bailey of Jacksonville Beach. Private cremation, Ponte Vedra Beach.

BOURNE - On November 17th, peacefully in hospital, Theodora Josephine West of Redhill, Surrey, daughter of the late Dr H.J.F. Bourne. Funeral service at St John's Church, Redhill, Tuesday November 24th at 2.30 pm. Flowers and enquiries to: J.Stoneman & Sons, Doran Court, Reigate Road, Redhill. Tel: 0737 763456.

CANHAM - On November 17th, suddenly, Harry John Salter, M.I.N.A. of Alverstoke, Hants, aged 65. Very dear husband of Lorna and father of Tim, Nigel and Pippa. Funeral at St Mary's, Alverstoke, on Thursday November 26th at 1.30pm. Family flowers only, donations if desired to Arthritis and Rheumatism Council for Research.

CLARK-MAXWELL - On November 20th 1987, John Noel Clark-Maxwell of Speddoch. Funeral at St John's Church, Dumfries on Tuesday 24th November at 12 noon. Family flowers only.

COBB - On November 19th 1987, peacefully in hospital, Commander Gerald Cobb O.B.E., Royal Navy rtd'd, of Meonstoke, Hampshire. Loved husband of Elisabeth, and father of David and Peter, and stepfather of Peter and Judy. Private cremation. Service of Thanksgiving to be announced later. Please, no flowers, but donations, if desired, for Meonstoke Church, to The Rector, The Rectory, Droxford, Southampton, SO3 1PA.

COLVILLE - On Thursday November 19th, suddenly, John Rupert. Funeral Service at St Mary's Church, Broughton, Hampshire at 3 pm on Tuesday November 24th. Private Burial at Mortown St Boswells, Scotland at 12 noon on Thursday November 26th. Memorial Service to be announced later.

COULET - On November 18th at her home in Paris, Natalie Antoinette Coulet, aged 80 years widow of Francois Coulet distinguished French diplomat, soldier, and gaullist. Funeral 2pm November 23rd at l'Eglise Reformée de Paris-Luxembourg, 58 Rue Madame, Paris, VI

HOLE - On November 19th, peacefully at an Exmouth Nursing Home, Margaret, aged 85 years, wife of the late Jim Hole. Service at Exeter and Devon Crematorium on Monday November 23rd at 12.30pm. Family flowers only please or donations to her memory may be sent to a charity of your choice.

HOWARD - On November 12th, 1987 the day before his 86th birthday, Brigadier Ernest A. (Binnie) C.B.E., adored husband of Kay. Family cremation at Torquay. No flowers but donations, if desired, for Cancer Research Campaign may be sent to Torbay & District Funeral Service, Wellswood, Torquay.

KING - On November 19th 1987, peacefully in New York, Bill King.

LESLIE - On November 17th, 1987, Judith Valentine Laybourne, aged 82 years, only daughter of the late A. M. and E. M. Pilliner. Cremation private. Memorial service at St. Cadoc's Church, Raglan, Gwent, Wednesday, December 2nd, 12 noon. Donations, if desired, to Animal Charities.

MAC ANDREW - On November 20th 1987, peacefully at home after an illness, Eileen May, widow of Jo, mother of Amanda Nicholson, grandmother of Jo and Verity, step grandmother of Sally and sister of Alec Butterfield. Greatly loved and sadly missed by all her family and friends. Funeral service at Holy Trinity Church, Ayr on Tuesday 24th November at 1.00pm to be followed by private burial at Largs. Please no flowers, she wished trees to be planted in her memory.

PRITCHARD-GORDON - On November 19th, peacefully at home in Slaughan, Sussex, after a long illness borne with the utmost courage, William Pritchard-Gordon, son of the late Herbert Pritchard-Gordon of Shropshire and of Mrs H.C. Corrie; leaving his wife Lesley, and his sons and daughters-in-law, Gavin, Coral, Giles, Lou, Grant and Sandy; his daughters and sons-in-law, Tessa, Tresham, Panda and Tony and his many grand children. The Funeral Service will be at St. Leonards Church, Turners Hill, on Tuesday November 24th at 12 o'clock followed by a private cremation. Flowers, either to the church or to Hannagens, 4-6 Montefiore Road, Hove, Sussex.

ROCHE - On 18th November, in hospital, Gladys, widow of Louis William Roche, mother of Jim and Adair, grandmother and great grandmother. Private funeral at Golders Green Crematorium. 24th November. family flowers only.

SANDORFI - On November 11th, Jules, aged 74, of Port-Marly, France. The private funeral took place in France on November 16th.

STURGES - On November 19th at The Hampshire Clinic, peacefully after a long illness courageously borne, Alison Mary (née Walker) aged 58. Beloved wife of Jeremy, mother of Edward and dearly loved sister, daughter and aunt. Funeral at All Saints Church, Odiham on Tuesday November 24th at 3.30 pm, followed by private cremation. Family flowers to the Church. Donations if desired to Cancer Research Campaign, 2 Carlton Terrace, London SW1Y 5AR.

WARREN - On November 19th at Newton House Nursing Home, Katherine Esther Hope, (née Thornton) aged 88, widow of the late Tom Warren of Downton, Wilts. Cremation at Salisbury Crematorium on Friday November 27th at 11.15am, followed by a Thanksgiving Service at Downton Baptist Church, South Lane, at 2.30 pm. Cut flowers to Harrold & Son, 77 Estcourt Road, Salisbury.

WHINFREY - On November 18th, peacefully at home Jean (née Wetherbarn) the beloved wife of Richard. Funeral Service at Guildford Crematorium at 10.30am on Monday November 23rd. Donations if desired to the Macmillan Service, King Edward VII Hospital, Midhurst, West Sussex, GU29 0BL.

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FORBES - James David Leslie - on this your anniversary, 21st November 1976. So sadly missed. Deo Optimo Maximo.

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LEGAL NOTICES

Notice of appointment of liquidator (Members) (Creditors) voluntary winding up
Pursuant to Section 600 of the Companies Act 1985

Company Number: 1822132. Name of Company: MEMOBANK LIMITED. Address of registered office: 17/18 Dover Street, London W1X 3PB. Liquidator name and address: David Julian Buchler FCA, 17/18 Dover Street, London W1X 3PB. Date of appointment: 13th November 1987. By whom appointed: Creditors.
Date: 5/11/87
D J Buchler
Liquidator

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
No. 004854 of 1987
CHANCERY DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF ALLIED TEXTILES COMPANIES PLC
-AND-
IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Order of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated 19th October 1987 confirming the cancellation of the share premium account of the above-named Company on at 16th September 1987 was registered by the Registrar of Companies on 12th November 1987.
Dated this 21st day of November 1987
Ashurst Morris Crisp
Broadgate House
7 Eldon Street
LONDON
EC2M 7HD
Solicitors for the above-named Company

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE NO. 006271 of 1987
CHANCERY DIVISION
COMPANIES COURT
IN THE MATTER OF
OPTICAL AND MEDICAL INTERNATIONAL P.L.C.
and
IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Petition was on the 30th October 1987 presented to Her Majesty's High Court for the confirmation of the reduction of the Share Premium Account of the above named Company by £20,000,000
AND NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Honourable Mr. Justice Peter Gibson at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London WC2 on Monday the 30th day of November 1987.
Any Creditor or Shareholder of the said Company desiring to oppose the making of an Order for the confirmation of the said reduction of Share Premium Account should appear at the time of hearing in person or by Counsel for that purpose.
A copy of the said Petition will be furnished to any such person requesting the same by the under mentioned Solicitors on payment of the regulated charge for the same
Dated this 21st day of November 1987
Norton, Rose, Botterell & Roche.
Kempson House,
Camomile Street,
London EC3A 7AN
TEL: 01-283 2434
Ref: DBA/63/L121871
Solicitors for the said Company

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE NO. 004853 of 1987
CHANCERY DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF ROSE, THOMSON, YOUNG (UNDERWRITING) LIMITED
-and-
IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Order of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated the 5th day of November 1987 confirming the reduction of the share capital of the above-named Company from £600 000 to £22,700 and the Minute approved by the Court showing with respect of the capital of the Company as altered the several particulars required by the above-mentioned Act were registered by the Registrar of Companies on the 12th November 1987.
DATED the 21st day of November 1987
Ingledew Brown Bennison & Garrett of
International House
26 Creechurch Lane
LONDON EC3A 5AL
Ref: VN/JMA

THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF LIQUIDATOR IN WINDING UP BY COURT
COMPANY NUMBER: 1927293
REXVIEW LIMITED
I, BARRY JOHN WARD, of 2 & 3 COLLEGE YARD, WORCESTER WR1 2LB GIVE NOTICE THAT ON 18th June 1987 I WAS APPOINTED LIQUIDATOR OF REXVIEW LIMITED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE.
DATED: 1st November 1987
B J WARD
Liquidator

RE PRENDERGEN LIMITED. BY ORDER OF THE HIGH COURT DATED THE 22ND OCTOBER 1986. NEVILLE ECKLEY, F.C.A. OF 332 BRIGHTON ROAD, SOUTH CROYDON HAS BEEN APPOINTED LIQUIDATOR OF THE ABOVE-NAMED COMPANY WITHOUT A COMMITTEE OF INSPECTION.
DATED 17th November 1987.

RE EDWARD BARON DEVELOPMENT CO. LIMITED. BY ORDER OF THE HIGH COURT DATED THE 24TH FEBRUARY 1984. NEVILLE ECKLEY, F.C.A. OF 332 BRIGHTON ROAD, SOUTH CROYDON HAS BEEN APPOINTED LIQUIDATOR OF THE ABOVE-NAMED COMPANY WITHOUT A COMMITTEE OF INSPECTION.
DATED 17th November 1987.

RE MOLE VALLEY HEATING LIMITED. BY ORDER OF THE HIGH COURT DATED THE 20TH JANUARY 1986, NEVILLE ECKLEY, F.C.A. OF 332 BRIGHTON ROAD, SOUTH CROYDON HAS BEEN APPOINTED LIQUIDATOR OF THE ABOVE-NAMED COMPANY WITHOUT A COMMITTEE OF INSPECTION.
DATED 17th November 1987.

IN THE MATTER OF MEMOBANK LIMITED
AND
IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the creditors of the above-named Company, which is being voluntarily wound up, are required, on or before the 17 December 1987, to send in their full Christian and surnames, their addresses and descriptions, full particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any), to the undersigned David Buchler of David Buchler & Co., 17/18 Dover Street, London W1X 3PB, the Liquidator of the said Company, and, if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are personally or by their Solicitors, to come in and prove their debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.
16 November, 1987
DAVID BUCHLER.
Liquidator

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Date: 5/11/87
D J Buchler
Liquidator

IN THE MATTER OF EXCLUSIVE PUBLICITY LIMITED
AND
IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the creditors of the above-named Company, which is being voluntarily wound up, are required, on or before 17 December 1987, to send in their full Christian and surnames, their addresses and descriptions and full particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any), to the undersigned David Buchler of David Buchler & Co., 17/18 Dover Street, London W1X 3PB, the Liquidator of the said Company, and, if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are personally or by their Solicitors, to come in and prove their debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.
16 November, 1987
DAVID BUCHLER.
Liquidator

LEGAL NOTICES

Notice of appointment of liquidator (Members) (Creditors) voluntary winding up
Pursuant to Section 600 of the Companies Act 1985

Company Number: 1906216. Name of Company: EXCLUSIVE PUBLICITY LIMITED. Address of registered office: 17/18 Dover Street, London W1X 3PB. Liquidator name and address: David Julian Buchler FCA, 17/18 Dover Street, London W1X 3PB. Date of appointment: 13th November 1987. By whom appointed: Creditors.
13/11/87
D J Buchler, FCA
Liquidator

IN THE MATTER OF EXCLUSIVE PUBLICITY LIMITED
AND
IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the creditors of the above-named Company, which is being voluntarily wound up, are required, on or before the 25 December 1987, to send in their full Christian and surnames, their addresses and descriptions, full particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any), to the undersigned David Buchler of David Buchler & Co., 17/18 Dover Street, London W1X 3PB, the Liquidator of the said Company, and, if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are personally or by their Solicitors, to come in and prove their debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.
16 November, 1987
DAVID BUCHLER.
Liquidator

LEGAL NOTICES

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13/11/87
D J Buchler, FCA
Liquidator

TRUSTEE ACTS

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to s27 of the TRUSTEE Act, 1925 that any person having a CLAIM against or an INTEREST in the ESTATE of any of the deceased person's whose names, addresses and descriptions are set out below is hereby required to send particulars in writing of his claim or interest to the person or persons mentioned in relation to the deceased person concerned before the date specified; after which date the estate of the deceased will be distributed to the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims and interests of which they have had notice.

JARSTER, THOMAS JOHN of Fencer House, Fencer Hill Park, Conforth, Newcastle upon Tyne, died on 6th September 1987. Particulars to Wood Nash, Solicitors of 6 Raymond Buildings, Gray's Inn Road, London WC1R 5DA, (ref 209) before 22nd January 1988.

ECCOTT Mavis Eleanor Margaret Mrs. of The Old Downs, Castle Hill, Hartley, Kent formerly of 34 New Road, Abbey Wood, Kent, died on 28th July 1987. Particulars to STONEHAM LANGTON & PASSMORE, Solicitors of 28/30 High Street, Chislehurst, Kent BR7 6AS before 27th January 1988.

EVELYN MARY HABERSHON DECEASED

Pursuant to the Trustee Act 1925
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against or an interest in the Estate of the above named deceased late of Heath Mount, Rase, Lisa, Hants and formerly of 81 Esher Road, Alfold, Surrey who died on the 4th November 1987 are required to send particulars thereof in writing to Messrs Cripps & Shone of The Old House, West Street, Marlow, Bucks before the Executor on or before the 16th day of January 1988 being the date that the Executor will proceed to distribute the said Estate among the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims and interests of which they have had notice.
Dated this 10th day of November 1987
Cripps & Shone
The Old House
West Street
Marlow, Bucks

STEWART GEORGE WALKER 30 Hall Park, Berkhamsted, Hertfordshire, died 2nd July 1988. Particulars to Smeathmans, Solicitors, 10 Queensway, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, HP1 1LU (Ref: JAT). before 30th January 1988.

SWAIN Ruth Violet of St Peters Hospital, Maldon, Essex and The Quadrange, Du Cane Road, W.12 died on 1st April, 1987. Particulars to WOOLLEY MORRIS & KENNEDY AND CAMPBELL CARTER & CO. Solicitors of 100 Station Road, Sidcup, Kent, DA15 7DT, before 22nd January 1988.

JOSEPH Harold of 118 The Vale, London, NW11 died 5th November 1986. Particulars to OSMOND GAUNT & ROSE, Solicitors of Winston House, 349 Regents Park Road, Finchley, London, N3 1DH, before 22nd January 1988.

Science report

Heart disease may be linked to blood protein

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

Scientists have made a surprising discovery that implicates a substance in the blood as an important factor in development of coronary heart disease.

The finding comes from research by a team at the University of Chicago and at Genentech, a California-based biotechnology research company.

They believe they know how a particular protein, which has been under suspicion of playing some role in heart attacks, is linked to the development of heart disease.

The new evidence suggests how the substance accelerates the development of the fatty plaques, which block arteries, by migrating to the site where a new blood clot is forming and contributing to clot formation.

The scientists started by investigating a compound that is found more readily in patients at risk of heart disease. They found it to be a close chemical relative of one of the body's substances for dissolving blood clots.

The details of the research, published in *Nature*, explain the investigation of apolipoprotein(a). It is one of several proteins incorporated in fatty particles that carry cholesterol through the bloodstream.

Apolipoprotein(a) is the protein constituent of larger particles called lipoprotein(a). At least a dozen studies have shown that people who have high levels of lipoprotein(a) in their blood have greatly increased risk of coronary heart disease.

Analyzing apolipoprotein(a), scientists of the biotechnology company were surprised to find that it bore a close chemical resemblance to plasminogen, one of the key substances in the body's complex natural system for dissolving blood clots.

Dr Richard M Lawn of Genentech says there is 90 per cent similarity between the two molecules. Furthermore, the research showed a strong possibility that the lipoprotein and plasminogen had similar functions.

He suggested that the lipoprotein may be attracted to blood clots and damaged areas of blood vessels, become attached at those points and contribute to the atherosclerotic plaques that lead to heart attacks.

A commentary on the research in the same issue of *Nature* by Dr Michael Brown and Dr Joseph Goldstein, who won a Nobel Prize in 1985 for research on the chemistry underlying heart disease, said, "These dramatic findings may provide the long-sought link between lipoproteins and the clotting system".

Because of its similarity to plasminogen, the lipoprotein may attach to newly forming clots. But because it is different from plasminogen, it may contribute to their stability.

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Peter Snipp (Baritone)
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ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL

Saturday 21 Nov 5.00 pm	CHRISTOPHER BOWERS-BROADBENT (organ) Copland Prelude, Glass Dance 4 (Brit premiere), Feldman Principal Sound, Glass Finale from Satyagraha (1st part). Admission free to ticket holders for 7.30 pm concert in RFH £2.50 unreserved. Students/OAPs/UB40 £1.50	BBC
Saturday 21 Nov 7.30 pm	BBC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA Elvisbon von Dohnanyi (conductor) Ives Three Places in New England, Glass Light (1st European perf) Bartók Concerto for Orchestra. Pre-concert talk by Keith Potter 6.15pm Waterloo Room - admission free by concert ticket. £2 £3 £4.50 £5 £8 £11	BBC
Sunday 22 Nov 3.15 pm	ROYAL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Enrique Bátiz (conductor) Richard Rodney Bennett (piano) Rosslini Ov. The Thieving Magpie, Borodin Polovtsian Dances, Gershwin Rhapsody in Blue, Bizet Symphony in C, Ravel Bolero. £12 £14 seats	RPO Ltd
Sun & Mon 22 & 23 Nov 7.30 pm	PHILHARMONIA ORCHESTRA Carlo Maria Giulini (cond) Elizabeth Harwood Anne Ogivana Peter Seiffert Robert Lloyd Philharmonia Chorus John Ann Gribbaldo Mozart Symphony No. 39, Requiem Pre-concert talk (22nd) 6.00 pm Waterloo Room £1.50 (Friends of the Philharmonia £1) 22 RETURNS ONLY £3 £5 £6 £7 £9 £10 £12 £14 £16 (only)	Philharmonia Ltd
Tuesday 24 Nov 7.30 pm	ROYAL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Christoph Eschenbach (conductor) Alfred Brendel (piano) Beethoven Overture, Egmont, Piano Concerto No. 4 Symphony No. 3 (Eroica) £4 £5.50 £7 £9 £12 £15.50 £20	RPO Ltd
Wednesday 25 Nov 5.55 pm	NAJI HAKIM (organ) Maitres Religieux Series Vierne Toccata and Five Pieces from Pièces de fantaisie, Langlais A Scottish Festival Tryptych, Hakim Homage to Stravinsky, Improvisation. All seats £3 unreserved Students/OAPs/UB40 £1.50	The South Bank Board
Wednesday 25 Nov 7.30 pm	PHILHARMONIA ORCHESTRA Libor Pesek (conductor) Mikhail Pletnev (piano) Bizet Suite L'Arlesienne Rachmaninov Piano Concerto No 1 Dvorak Symphony No. 7 £2 £3.50 £5 £6 £7.50 £9 £10 £11.50 £14	Philharmonia Ltd
Thursday 26 Nov 7.30 pm	WARSAW PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Kazimierz Kord (conductor) John Lill (piano) Sibelius Finlandia Beethoven Piano Concerto No 5 (Emperor) Shostakovich Symphony No 5 £3 £5.50 £7.50 £10 £12.50 £15	Harold Holt Ltd
Friday 27 Nov 7.30 pm	THE BACH CHOIR Royal Philharmonic Orchestra Sir David Willcocks (conductor) Robert Tear (tenor) David Thomas (bass) Walton Coronation Te Deum First Intimations of Immortality, Walton Belshazzar's Feast £3 £5 £6.50 £8 £9.50 £11	The Bach Choir
Saturday 28 Nov 7.30 pm	PHILHARMONIA ORCHESTRA Giuseppe Sinopoli (conductor) Gidon Kremer (violin) Mendelssohn Overture The Hebrides, Schumann Violin Concerto Dvorak Symphony No 9 (From the New World) £2 (only)	Philharmonia Ltd
Sunday 29 Nov 3.15 pm	VIENNA BOYS CHOIR Laurence Ewashko (cond) Programme sacred & secular music by Mozart, Reger, Viltoria, Mendelssohn & Kodaly, Viennese Lieder, Austrian folk songs, Strauss waltzes & polkas. J. S. Rian's comic opera, The Prima Donna, in full costume £4 £5.50 £7 £8.50 £10.50 £12	Anglo-Austrian Music Society
Sunday 29 Nov 7.30 pm	THE LONDON PHILHARMONIC Choir Andrew Litton (cond), Mayumi Fujikawa (vln) Edith Wiens, Helen Watson, Shirley-Quirk, Mendelssohn Suite A Midsummer Night's Dream Bach Vln Concerto in E BWV 1042, Vaughan Williams Dona Nobis Pacem £15 (only)	London Philharmonic Enterprises
Monday 30 Nov 7.30 pm	THE CARIBBEAN CHOIR Geraldine Connor (leader) Red Stripe Ebony Steel Band Conductor Alexander Hutchinson. After Party (compère) a taste of a Caribbean Calypso Christmas with a mix of soca, soul and gospel £3 £3.50 £4.50 £5.50 £6	National Steelband Music Company Ltd
Tues 1 Dec 7.30 pm Waterloo Room	POETRY BOOK SOCIETY A WINTER CHOICE. Annmarie Austin, Jean Earle, Carole Satyamurti. Three poets reading from their new collections, some of the very best work published this season £2.50 Students, OAPs/UB40 £1.50 South Bank Board/Poetry Book Society	
Wednesday 2 Dec 5.55 pm	DAVID LIDDLE (organ) WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL CHOIR David Hall (conductor) Nicolaus Bohlgeber Barnes Duruflé Prelude Choral varié on Veni creator Poulenc Mass in G Duruflé Prelude and Fugue on ALAIN. All seats £4.50 Students/OAPs/UB40 £3 South Bank Board	
Wednesday 2 Dec 7.30 pm	PHILHARMONIA ORCHESTRA & CHORUS Simon Preston (cond), Helen Donath (soprano) Alfreda Hodgson (contralto) Robert Tear (tenor), David Wilson-Johnson (bass) Handel Messiah RETURNS ONLY	Philharmonia Ltd
Thursday 3 Dec 7.30 pm	ROYAL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Paavo Berglund (conductor) Stephen Bishop-Kovacevich (piano) Mendelssohn Symphony No 3 (Scottish) Mozart Piano Concerto in C K 503 Debussy La Mer £4 £5.50 £7 £8 £12 £15.50 £20	RPO Ltd
Friday 4 Dec 7.30 pm	THE LONDON PHILHARMONIC Andrew Litton (conductor) Andrew Wilde (piano) NatWest Bank Classics for Pleasure Series. Beethoven Overture Egmont, Piano Concerto No. 4 Symphony No. 3 (Eroica) £4 £5.50 £7 £9 £12 £15.50 £20	London Philharmonic Enterprises Ltd

QUEEN ELIZABETH HALL

Saturday 21 Nov 4.00 & 8.00 pm	LONDON FILM FESTIVAL – BATTLESHIP POTEMKIN Eisenstein's classic of the Soviet cinema, with Edmund Meisel's original 1926 score performed live by the Brabant Orchestra of Holland conducted by Alan Fearon. Prog also includes Pudovkin's comedy Chess Fever RETURNS ONLY	London Film Festival
Sunday 22 Nov 8.00 pm	LEO KOTTKE From America, the only British performance by one of the world's great electric guitarists, whose style fluency and imagination makes nearly every other guitarist sound as if they're playing with boxing gloves. New Musical Express. Plus Eduardo Nalitsa and Antonio Forcione. £6.50, £5.50 £7.50	Speakeasy
Monday 23 Nov 7.45 pm	ISRAEL CHAMBER ORCHESTRA Yoav Talmi (conductor) Bracha Kol (soprano recorder) Bach Sinfonia in F BWV 1046a, Bartok Divertimento for strings, Vivaldi Concerto in C for soprano recorder Beethoven Symphony No. 2 £4.50, £6 £7.50, £9, £10	Victor Hochhauser

PURCELL ROOM

Saturday 21 Nov 7.30 pm	AN AGREEABLE BLUNDER Janet Seaman in her own programme, with music from Bill Homewood (guitar) on the theme of girls and women from the cradle to the grave. £6 £7.50	The South Bank Board, David Rees
Sunday 22 Nov 3.15 pm	PIED PIPER MUSICAL STORIES For 3-10 year olds. The stories are told by Jan Hunt and music ably illustrated by Tony Trower. The programme also includes some instrumental solos and songs for children to join in. Pretty or Not? RETURNS ONLY	Tony Trower
Monday 23 Nov 7.30 pm	HSI CHIAN CHINESE DANCE/MIME Wei Lin and George Fisher perform An Ambush in Total Darkness. The scene is an inn at midnight. A warrior coming an ambush is valuable. Songs is ambushed by an enemy and a fight takes place in total darkness. All seats £2.50 Students, OAPs UB40 £2	Tai-Shan Theatre
Tuesday 24 Nov 7.30 pm	PENELOPE THWAITES (piano) works by Bax, Margaret Sutherland, Constant Lambert, Arthur Benjamin, Dorian de Gelmini, Gordon Jacob, Grainger, Ireland, Malcolm Williamson, Boossens, Saddhorpe, Rubbra, Cyril Scott & William Reed's Nocturne Op 39 No 2 (1st perf) £2.50, £3.50 £4.50	Penelope Thwaites
Wednesday 25 Nov 6.30 pm	RIVERA AND THE MEXICAN RENAISSANCE Rivera and the Ancient Americans. Gordon Brotherston gives the fourth lecture in the series related to the Diego Rivera exhibition at the Hayward Gallery. All seats £1 Students/OAPs/UB40 50p	The South Bank Board
Wednesday 25 Nov 8.00 pm	STRING SERENADES London Soloists Chamber Orchestra David Josefowitz (cond) Mozart Eine kleine Nachtmusik, Elgar Serenade for strings, Bartok Rumanian Dances, Barber Adagio Tchaikovsky Serenade in C £3 £4.50 £6	London Soloists Chamber Orchestra
Thursday 26 Nov 7.30 pm	LORCA: SPAIN'S GREAT POET/DRAMATIST An evocation of his life and works created and performed by Nigel Pegrum with guitar accompaniment by Tito Heredia. "It's a rare and hypnotic experience much aided by the tingling playing of the guitar." The London Standard £5 £7.50	The South Bank Board, David Rees
Friday 27 Nov 7.30 pm	NICHOLAS WALKER (piano) Haydn Sonata in C Hob XVI 50 Beethoven Sonata in F major Op 57 (Appassionata) Esa-Pekka Salonen YTA 2 (British premiere) Liszt Sonata in B minor £2.50, £3.50 £5	Marygate Management

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Accountants, curl up with this White Paper

The future of the accountancy profession may be in the balance. Apart from the prospect of mixed partnerships and the demographic threat to recruitment, the Institute of Chartered Accountants is on the brink of making major changes to its education and training system.

So whatever plans the accountants among you might have had for this Saturday afternoon you would do well to curl up with the ICA's White Paper, *Training the Business Professional*. On the outcome of the proposed changes the reputation of the institute into the next century could well depend.

"Every 20 years or so you need to have a look at how things are going with your professional qualifications," said John Mordy of Peat Marwick McLintock, the chairman of the institute's education and training directorate. "That's what we've been doing and I think most people would agree that an overhaul of a system was now due."

The publication follows years of detailed discussion and consultation. An earlier White paper, *Effective Education and Training for the 21st Century*, had already ploughed through the issues in great detail and as a result the ICA believes that it has now devised a system which will accommodate the wider and more demanding role of the accountant.

So though *Training the Business Professional* still has the status of a consultative paper, the signs are that its contents will be well received, at least by training partners in the larger and medium-sized practices.

"I like it, but I'm not surprised by the outcome," said Nicholas Hilton of Moore Stephens, who had been involved in the earlier consultations. "Cynics may say it is a compromise but I think it's a good and flexible proposition for the future."

In terms of structure the most significant development is the offer of a choice between an *integrated* approach (based on the current system) and a *discrete* style where students will undergo lengthy blocks of alternating education and work experience. The object of this is to permit firms to select the system which best suits their needs.

Perhaps more important, however, are the changes in ethos and philosophy which are reflected in both the new syllabus and the assessment methods. There has been a major move away from the massive rote-learning of facts and a far greater emphasis put on analytical skills so that the student should understand the "hows" and "whys" of financial management.

This important change stems from one of the key objectives of the new system which is to "provide the newly-qualified accountant with a first class business training of a broadly-based nature, on which they can build a future career."

So in short it is the role of the accountant as a business consultant, and perhaps even a businessman, which is at the heart of the changes.

It is noticeable, for example, that the new syllabus has dropped a number of the more esoteric technical subjects which, it is claimed, can best be learned at a later stage. Moreover, according to John Mordy, 'the syllabus also takes account of the fact that after qualifying there is a significant exodus by young accountants from public practice and into commerce and industry.

To that extent, says Mr Mordy, the education and training systems need to satisfy both those who remain and those who depart. The upshot is that the new intermediate syllabus will include subjects like Business Strategy and Planning, while the final syllabus will include material on Commercial and Financial Decisions.

Even Nicholas Hilton at Moore Stephens said that he was going to have to do a detailed cost-benefit analysis to see if it could be justified.

Of course, the other dimension to the changes lies in the new assessment system. Provided the go ahead is given, this will be introduced in 1991 and will include case studies and perhaps even more radical changes such as Open Book examinations and "projects outside the examination hall".

The result of all of this would be, in the view of Andrew Colquhoun, the director of education and training at the ICA, that the institute would have "the most open examination in the country. Certainly it is much more open than those operated by institutes in higher education, and the publication of pilot papers marks a leap forward in our policy of openness."

Especially important, says Mr Colquhoun, is the provision of "valuable information about the weight which examiners will place on particular aspects of examination papers." This, perhaps, has been included to answer some of the criticisms voiced particularly vociferously a few years ago, that the "pass mark" of the institute's exams were "fixed" so as to limit the number of fully-qualified people.

The new system may get rid of that particular piece of history but it does not mean that everyone will be satisfied.

Unknown to most accountants, a new government quango, the National Council for Vocational Qualifications, is currently endeavouring to involve the institute on an elaborate structure of "occupational qualifications," which will span everything from YTS trainees to brain surgeons. The signs from the institute so far are that it is not going to play ball with the NCVQ on its own qualifications. But there are some vocational assessment experts who feel that the chartered accountants could learn something from the NCVQ:

"I'm sure that the proposed changes in the present system are worthy but they don't go far enough," said Karen Moloney of assessment and training consultants, Moloney and Gealy.

Karen Moloney said that the ICA needed to consider the concept of real life competence and include more reference to practical things like being able to communicate with clients, manage time, deliver to deadlines, pass on useful information and so on. "To my mind the syllabus and assessments are still too academic."

So for those of you who are still trying to digest the fact that "multiple choice" is now used by the institute, prepare to swallow hard. There is much, much more to come.



That testing time that other accountants will soon know well as they shape up to the 21st century

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Legal right to credit for overpaid VAT

Betterware Products Ltd v Commissioners of Customs and Excise

Before Mr Justice Simon Brown

[Judgment November 19]

Taxpayers who in accordance with the express requirements of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise, stated in a later value-added tax return, and could prove, that they made over-declarations of tax in earlier VAT returns were entitled as a matter of law to take credit for such past overpayments against the tax liability that would otherwise exist upon the current VAT return.

Mr Justice Simon Brown so held in the Queen's Bench Division in allowing an appeal under section 13 of the Tribunals and Enquiries Act 1971 by Betterware Products Ltd against a decision of a VAT tribunal.

Mr Andrew Park, QC and Mr Roderick Cordara for the appellants; Mr John Laws for the commissioners.

MR JUSTICE SIMON BROWN said that it was argued for the commissioners that the tax due from the company for the relevant accounting period was defined in section 14 of the Value Added Tax Act 1983. The appellants accepted that that would be so had not the commissioners chosen to exercise their regulation making powers for the correction of past errors so as to require a different approach.

It was their essential contention that the commissioners were expressly empowered to provide, under paragraph 2(4)(c) of Schedule 7 to the 1983 Act, and had in fact provided for the correction of errors in such a way as to make it necessary when computing the tax due for any particular period to take into account corrections of over and under-declarations in respect of earlier periods.

There could be no doubt that the appellants had complied with the provisions and requirements of the commissioners for the correction of errors. What was in issue was whether that compliance availed the appellants otherwise than by the commissioners' grace and favour when it came to determining the tax due from them.

The commissioners argued that they had in fact made no provisions at all for the correction of errors but only for their notification. The difference was crucial. At the heart of their case lay the proposition that it was entirely a matter for their discretion whether, once notified of errors, they gave effect to them by relieving the taxpayer of any part of his current liability.

The point only arose, of course, because the commissioners had declined to exercise their discretion in the appellants' favour.

His Lordship found himself unable to accept the commissioners' arguments. It was quite impossible to construe the statutory form of return other than as providing "for the correction of errors" in the full sense for which the appellants contended.

It was perfect plain that the form required previous errors to be declared so as to affect "the amount of tax payable by or to the taxpayer" as envisaged by regulation 58(1 of the Value Added Tax (Gneral) Regulations (SI 1985 N 886).

The appellats recognized that their argument depended entirely on ho the commissioners had chen under their regulation-maki; powers to provide for thcorrection of errors. Their argment was well founded: unr paragraph 2(4)(c) of Schedle 7 to the 1983 Act the commsioners both could and dit introduce a scheme for thcorrection of errors so as to jovide for offsetting any evious overdeclaration of t against what would otherwisehave been the tax due under pagraph 4(1).

Solicitors: Drant Piesse; Solicitor, Customs and Excise.

Two separate offences in Housing Act section

Wandsworth London Borough Council v Sparling

Before Lord Justice Watkins and Mr Justice Mann

[Judgment November 18]

Section 369(5) of the Housing Act 1985 created two separate offences of knowingly contravening a regulation, and of failing to comply with a regulation without reasonable excuse, in respect of a person managing premises in multiple occupation, to which the Housing (Management of Houses in Multiple Occupation) Regulations (SI 1962 No 668) applied.

Accordingly, where an information with several charges was preferred against such a person and was drawn up in such a way as if there was a single offence, the information was bad for duplicity.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held when it dismissed the appeal of Wandsworth London Borough Council against the acquittal by Wells Street Justices on January 27, 1987, of the defendant, Mr Paul Desmond Sparling, of offences alleged on an information to have been committed by him contrary to the 1962 Regulations and section 369.

Section 369 of the 1985 Act provides: "(5) A person who knowingly contravenes or without reasonable excuse fails to comply with a regulation ... commits a summary offence ...".

Mr Gordon Nurse for the council; Mr Lawrence Caun for the defendant.

MR JUSTICE MANN said that the council had made a management order under section 370 of the 1985 Act against the premises (which the defendant had inherited from his father) that the premises were in an unsatisfactory state and so that the 1962 Reggulations applied.

The prosecution before the justices proceeded on the basis that section 369(5) created only one offence. In his Lordship's view, the word "or" in the subsection was used disjunctively.

It was plain that two offences were created: Parliament was striking at the person who knowingly contravened a regulation, and also the person who failed to comply with a regulation without reasonable excuse.

In *R v Surrey Justices, Ex parte Witherick* ([1932] 1 KB 450, 452), Mr Justice Avory said: "It is an elementary principle that an information must not charge offences in the alternative, since the defendant cannot then know with precision with what he is charged and of what he is convicted and may be prevented on a future occasion from pleading *autrefois convict*."

That case was determinant that the informations in the present case were bad for duplicity. However, the case did not end there since the prosecution case before the justices had been also that the 1962 Regulations had been contravened in any event and that the defendant's impecunious state was no defence as that could not in itself amount to a reasonable excuse.

But, on the evidence as found, the question arose as to whether the defendant was in truth the manager of the premises on the date when the offences were alleged to have occurred. He was unemployed, was indeed impecunious and had been left a rates debt of £3,200 when he inherited the premises

It was clear that at the relevant time the council itself was receiving the rents from the tenants in the pmises and had a capital sum of £7,000 already from that sourc

That situatio seemed quite extraordinary s that for that reason, also, te prosecution was misconceid,

LORD JUSTICE WATKINS, agreeing, addedhat the appeal was ill-consider in the circumstances. The pruises had been the subject of a compulsory purchase order.nd the council had given no thght to the fact that it had thoug fit to keep the rents due to theefendant, thus accumulating aand by which the alleged defits could have been cured wth they were blaming the dehdant as being responsible for.

Solicitors: Mi S. G. Smith, Wandsworth; MC. Greenleaf & Co, Clapham.

Recorder wrong to refuse rebuttal

Regina v Coleman

Before Lord Justice Watkins, Mr Justice Drake and Mr Justice Owen

[Judgment November 13]

A recorder who called a police witness after the prosecution had closed its case was wrong, in the circumstances, in refusing a defence application for an adjournment to enable rebuttal evidence to be called.

The Court of Appeal so held in allowing an appeal by Michele Ann-Louise Coleman against her conviction at Isleworth Crown Court on August 7, 1986 on three counts of theft of personal property (Mr Recorder R. N. Titheridge, QC and a jury).

Mr George Warr for the appellant; Mr Nicholas Graham Jones for the Crown.

MR JUSTICE HUTCHISON, giving the judgment of the court, said that a police witness was called by the recorder after the close of the prosecution case, despite an objection by counsel for the appellant.

The witness, after consulting his notebook, denied being on duty on the relevant day. He had not been present at any interview of the appellant and, as he had never seen her before, he could not have told her to tell the truth otherwise she would be kept at the station all weekend.

After the police witness had given evidence, counsel for the appellant had applied for an adjournment to enable the appellant's parets, who lived in Holland, to be alled to prove the presence ofhe police witness on the day: question.

That had beerefused on the ground that the had to be a limit on the numer of witnesses called.

Their Lordshi took the view that the recorde having called the witness, thould have allowed the adjurnment. The conviction vs therefore quashed; the proviso to section 2(1) of the Crimal Appeal Act 1968 being inapicable.

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Entry to Secondary 4-6 is by interview which will be arranged to suit individual candidates.

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Closing date for entry to the examination is Monday 11th January.

SIXTH FORM ENTRY: Applications for Sixth Form entry should be made by letter to the Headmaster. Some Assisted Places as well as full-fee-paying places are available for pupils embarking on A-level courses.

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EDUCATION HORIZONS

Tom Brown is enjoying his schooldays now

It is time to think again about boarding schools. The annual census by the Independent Schools Information Service has shown a rise in the number of children in private boarding schools for the first time in around 20 years. While many heads are still desperate to "fill beds," there are signs that the tide is turning — slowly.

Going away to school holds more terrors, it seems, for parents than for children; says Sarah Thomas, and public school bullying is no longer tolerated

Sir Toby Coghill, head of Aberlour House School in Morayshire, a co-educational prep school with a strong pastoral emphasis, blames "Dr Spock-type" child-rearing theories for the struggle which boarding schools have faced.

"Parents come under tremendous pressure to keep their little darlings at home," he says. "It has become somehow unwise psychologically to send children away to school. It is seen as cruel.

"But how cruel is it to send a city-dwelling child to a day school when both parents work, mother is out of the house all the time and there is only an untrained au-pair to turn to?"

Boarding schools have deserved some of their bad press. But because it includes the most famous of English schools, the boarding sector gets an unfair share of sex-and-drug scandal headlines which give the impression that Tom Brown is still being roasted over the fire in College House, Rugby.

Astonishing sacrifices to ferry children

Sir Toby also believes that talk of declining standards in English schools has frightened away some foreign parents who tar the independent sector with the same brush. And British subjects working for international corporations overseas are being replaced by local staff, or do not command the same level of school fees allowances that they used to. All in all, it is something of a miracle that the proportion of children in independent boarding schools has continued to rise while absolute numbers declined. Besides, why should a parent who wants an independent school consider boarding when there are so many good day schools?

Firstly, and astonishingly, cost. One mother told me that she reckoned she was actually saving money by sending her child to a boarding school rather than to a private day school.

Consider a family living in a Suffolk village who want to send 12-year-old Cynthia to Felixstowe College, 20 miles away by car. A day place costs £1,010 a term; a boarding place £1658 a term.

The parents choose the day place. Mum drives 80 miles a day to take Cynthia to school and back. At a conservative 25p a mile, this works out at £1,200 a term.

This is not an absurd example. Any headteacher will testify to the astonishing sacrifices which parents make to deliver and collect their offspring. Even if Mum can work out a transport deal with another parent, or chooses a cheaper day school in Ipswich or close by, the cost is sobering.

The boarding school can also cope with Cynthia's growing appetite and laundry bills more economically than Mum. The journey, too, is exhausting for both — especially Mum — and Cynthia could be spending that time with friends, playing tennis or practising her violin. Mum cannot pursue a career — at a time when more independent school parents supply school fees from the mother's income.

The Suffolk mum grits her teeth in the traffic jam and tells herself that Cynthia has the benefit of the civilized, private atmosphere of home. True — but she might be impressed by the amount of spare-time which boarding school pupils are allowed; by the emphasis on privacy in dormitories and by the security of a school routine.

At least Cynthia cannot be tormented by bullies at home. Boarding school heads are highly sensitive on this subject. A recent bullying spate at Rugby School was halted by immediate expulsion. But the two bullies were discovered two weeks after they began their reign of terror and prep school heads are tut-tutting at this delay. Two weeks is a long time for a 13-year-old to experience life-scarring treatment.

The only answer the boarding schools have is that their staff now deal more closely than ever before with children and are more available. Parents choosing a boarding school should not be fobbed off with a generalized statement of intent. Ask the head exactly how the pastoral system works; talk to all the house teachers. Ask to be shown the school by pupils, and ask them — out of earshot of a teacher — if there is bullying and if they are happy. Children enjoy exaggerating hardships but a shifty "s'awright" is disturbing.

Don't just look at the dormitories — check the lavatories and showers too. Schools inspectors found in one run-down boys' school that the temperature control of the showers was so antiquated that the boys, after standing in pyjamas in a draughty corridor for their turn, were alternately frozen and scalded.

The post-Arnold boarding school concentrated on encouraging leadership in older boys by putting a crippling weight of responsibility on them. This philosophy survives in some public schools, where the house captain carries almost as much weight as the housemaster. But it now works more often side by side with individual tutorial and pastoral care.

Much of the improvement in boarding schools is owed to "progressives" — regarded as cranks in their time — such as Kurt Hahn, who founded Gordonstoun. The Hahn "all-round education" means rigorous timetabling of what most other boarding schools see as "optionals". It can be too robust for some, but the emphasis on individual preference and endeavour has certainly spread.

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Music and art can be lingered over at school

specific talents such as music and ballet is the main aim of a minority of boarding schools.

Homesickness is inevitable — or is it? Colin Reid, head of St Christopher's School, Letchworth (an early "progressive" school), believes only 1 per cent of children cannot adapt to a boarding school.

Toby Coghill feels that a child who is unhappy at home, rather than at school — whose parents, perhaps, are heading for a separation — is most likely to feel homesick because he feels needed at home.

Weekly boarding, moreover, is a growing trend. It is a good idea if the school is fairly close and if the fees are substantially less than full fees (the school is saving itself a lot of money). "He went off for his second term at prep school so eagerly that I felt rather hurt," the father of one very small seven-year-old recently said to me. Reid finds that many pupils now nag their parents to send them to boarding school. One Rugby sixth form girl told me she saw it as "half way between home and university". It looks as though boarding schools are making a comeback — with Tom Brown himself in the vanguard.

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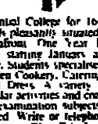
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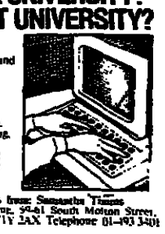
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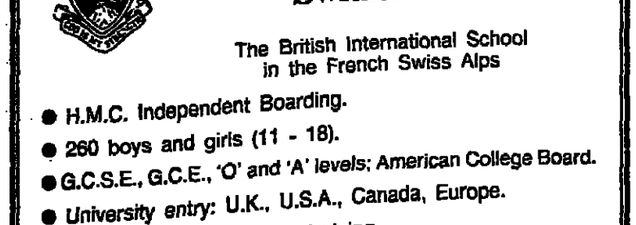
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RACING: EUROPEAN FILLIES CAN DOMINATE BIG MILE EVENT

Growing belief that Sonic Lady is a force to be reckoned with

From Michael Seely, Hollywood Park

Sonic Lady can justify the Michael Stoute camp's confidence by beating her stable companion, Milligram, and also Miesque in what could be an all-European finish to the Breeders' Cup Mile at Hollywood Park this afternoon.

During the tense build-up in the Californian heat to the world's most valuable day's racing, opinion has been hardening that last season's champion is back in the frame of mind that saw her power her way to six victories in the 1986 campaign.

Cliff Lines, one of Stoute's head lads, has been in charge of Sonic Lady and Milligram until the arrival of their trainer last Friday.

With 22 years of experience of champions like Petite Etoile, J O Tobin and Shadeed behind him, he is one of the best judges in the game.

"The guv'nor has got Sonic Lady just where he wants her," he said. "When she cantered on Tuesday she took a lot of holding in the last furlong and I had to take a real pull.

"Again when she sprinted on the grass on Wednesday, she didn't want to pull up. That's the way that she always is when at her peak. She's spot on."

Even the outwardly calm and highly disciplined Stoute can barely conceal his inner excitement.

"I've got to be hopeful and give her a slight edge over Milligram. Don't forget it's been the plan all year to get her ready for this race."

Channel 4 will show recordings of the principal Breeders' Cup races in a 30-minute programme starting at midnight tonight.

In Laffit Pincay, the only jockey to have won three Breeders' Cup events, the trainer has booked just the man required for the vital task of conserving the four-year-old's explosive burst of speed until the right moment.

At her brilliant best Miesque undoubtedly possesses the better form than her English rival. But the Francois Boutin-trained winner of the English and French 1,000 Guineas has had a long and busy season and may have lost the spark of her vitality.

To a slightly lesser extent the same can be said of Milligram who has had the additional problem of bruising her near-fore.

However, the impressive winner of Ascot's Queen Elizabeth II Stakes was sound yesterday morning and is having hot and cold water compresses applied until the big race.

She possesses an abundance of stamina to match her acceleration and must be the one they all have to beat.

The draw will probably hold the key to this helter-skelter dash around the tight bends of Hollywood.

Charlie Whittingham, with his two runners at 12 and 13, hit the nail on the head when he commented: "I guess I might have been drawn in Century Boulevard but it couldn't be much worse. The positions really matter in this race and in the Sprint."

Drawn six, eight and four respectively, Sonic Lady, Milligram and Miesque should prove too good for Double Feint and Neil Drysdale's wild card, the formerly English-trained Deputy Governor.

To call this the world championship of racing is overdoing the hype, but the meeting between Trempolino, the Prix de L'Arc de Triomphe hero, and Theatrical in the Breeders' Cup Turf must still be regarded as a clash between the two best horses on grass over this distance.

In his heart of hearts Andre Fabre knows that Trempolino faces a stiff task against a rejuvenated Theatrical under the conditions that the five-year-old handles so well.

Informed opinion thinks that Theatrical is a 3lb better horse than when finishing second to Manila in last year's race.

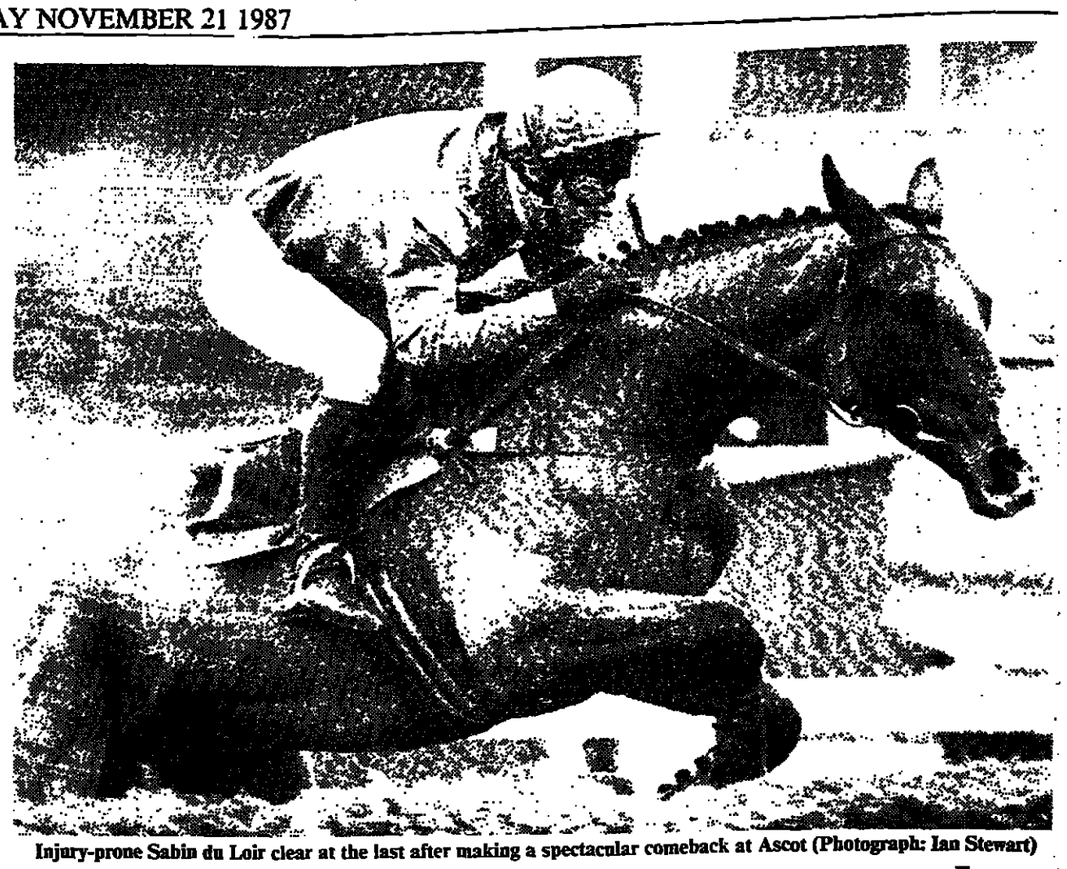
"I know the American horses and Trempolino can beat them all," said the trainer. "But although I'm still confident, the race is very late this year."

The best outsider should be Sir Harry Lewis. The Irish Derby winner had been out of action for two months when third to River Memories in the Rothman's International in Toronto recently. "He was slowly away and a bit unlucky in running," said Barry Hills.

All the local fans' banker in the sprint is the phenomenally fast Groovy, a failure behind Pine Tree Lane last year. Angel Cordero will not hear of defeat for " the fastest thing I ever sat on," who is undefeated with six victories this season.

Philip Mitchell has had a chapter of accident with Sylvan Express, one of the three British challengers for the six furlongs dash.

The trainer reported: "He ran in Germany last time out and the authorities refused to accept a fax-copy of his documentation. He had to spend an extra five hours in quarantine and to crown it all, Steve Cauthen phoned this morning and said that he was too tired to ride him in his work."



Injury-prone Sabin du Loir clear at the last after making a spectacular comeback at Ascot (Photograph: Ian Stewart)

PRINCIPAL BREEDERS' CUP RACES

Going: firm

Draw: low to middle numbers favoured

7.14 BREEDERS' CUP SPRINT (Grade I: £304,054: 6f: dirt) (14 runners)

1 3011 SABONA 31 (C,D,F,G) J Gosden 5-9-0 ..... F Toro 1
2 1111 GROOVY 42 (D,F) J Martin 4-9-0 ..... A Cordero jr 2
3 3414 SLYLY GIFTED 22 (C,F) P Hronec 4-9-0 ..... R Meza 3
4 1141 ZANY TACTICS 17 (D,F,G,S) B Heap 6-9-0 . J Keenel 4
5 2422 ON THE LINE 17 (C,F) D W Lukas 3-8-12 .. R Romero 5
6 0022 GOVERNOR GENERAL 35 (D,F,G) D Elsworth (GB) 4-9-0 Pat Eddery 6
7 3041 PINE TREE LANE 21 (D,F,S) D W Lukas 5-8-11 C McCarron 7
8 2142 ZABALETA 147 (D,F) J Gosden 4-9-0 ..... L Pincay jr 8
9 2000 SHARP ROMANCE 27 (D,G) W Brooks (GB) 5-9-0 M Wigham 9
10 3001 SYLVAN EXPRESS 41 (G,S) P Mitchell (GB) 4-9-0 S Cauthen 10
11 0011 EXCLUSIVE ENOUGH 36 (C,D,F) J Van Berg 3-8-12 P Day 11
12 3412 VERY SUBTLE 82 (C,F) M Stute 3-8-9 P Valenzuela 12
13 21P0 TAYLOR'S SPECIAL 36 (D,F) W Mott 6-9-0 J Vasquez 13
14 1231 HIGH BRITE 21 (D,F,S) D W Lukas 3-8-12 J A Santos 14

4-5 Groovy, 5-1 Zany Tactics, 8-1 Pine Tree Lane, 12-1 Zabaleta, 20-1 Sabona, Exclusive Enough, 25-1 others.

8.51 BREEDERS' CUP MILE (Grade I: £304,054: 1m: turf) (14 runners)

1 4000 LE BELVEDERE 13 (CD,F,G) C Whittingham 4-9-0 A Cordero jr 12
1A 1042 TEMPERATE SIL 34 (C,D,F) C Whittingham 3-8-11 W Shoemaker 13
2 1011 DOUBLE FEINT 13 (C,D,F,G) L Jolley 4-9-0 ... F Toro 1
3 1220 SANTELLA MAC 22 (D,F,G) D Vienna 4-9-0 C McCarron 2
4 1413 SHOW DANCER 28 (D,F,G) J M Hiting 5-9-0 M Castaneda 3
5 2112 MIESQUE 56 (D,F,G,S) F Boutin (Fr) 3-8-8 .... F Head 4
6 1100 SHORT SLEEVES 27 (D,F,G) D Vienna 5-8-11 P Valenzuela 5
7 0313 SONIC LADY 56 (D,F,G) M Stoute (GB) 4-8-11 L Pincay jr 6
8 0132 DEPUTY GOVERNOR 13 (F) N Drysdale 3-8-11 E Delahoussaye 7
9 1011 MILLIGRAM 56 (D,G,S) M Stoute (GB) 3-8-8 Pat Eddery 8
10 3420 EXPLOSIVE DARLING 29 (D,F,G,S) L Goldfine 5-9-0 E Fires 9
11 0030 AIR DISPLAY 14 (F,G,S) D Vienna 4-9-0 ..... P Day 10
12 3132 HIGHEST HONOR 27 (D,F,G,S) P Barry (Fr) 4-9-0 C Asmussen 11
13 3100 DULUTH 18 (D,F,G,S) F Schulhofer 5-9-0 J Vasquez 14

7-2 Milligram, 4-1 Miesque, 5-1 Sonic Lady, 6-1 Temperate Sil, 12-1 Highest Honor, 14-1 Show Dancer, 16-1 others.

9.59 BREEDERS' CUP TURF (Grade I: £608,108: 1m 4f: turf) (14 runners)

1 0110 SWINK 34 (CD,F) C Whittingham 5-9-0 W Shoemaker 2
1A 3013 RIVLIA 20 (CD,F,G) C Whittingham 5-8-0 L Pincay jr 6
2 0042 LOUIS LE GRAND 20 (D,F,G,S) C Whittingham 5-9-0 P Valenzuela 12
2B 2311 THEATRICAL 28 (D,F,G,S) W Mott 5-9-0 ..... P Day 13
3 0301 ALLEZ MILORD 20 (D,G,S) J Gosden 4-9-0 C McCarron 1
4 1014 VILLAGE STAR 20 (D,G,S) A Fabre (Fr) 4-9-0 C Asmussen 3
5 0332 GREAT COMMUNICATOR 21 (CD,F) T Ackel 4-9-0 A Cordero jr 4
6 3311 TREMPOLINO 48 (D,F,G,S) A Fabre (Fr) 3-8-10 Pat Eddery 5
7 1033 SIR HARRY LEWIS 34 (D,F,G,S) B Hills (GB) 3-8-10 J Reid 7
8 4111 BINT PASHA 69 (D,G,S) P Cole (GB) 3-8-7 S Cauthen 8
9 2011 STORM IN THE LOOSE 29 (F) H Vanier 4-9-0 E Delahoussaye 9
10 0233 VILZAK 13 (D) J Van Berg 4-9-0 ..... J Velasquez 10
11 1003 CIRCUS PRINCE 41 (CD,F) J Russell 4-8-0 A Castanon 11
12 3221 AUTUMN GLITTER 27 (D,F,G) C Nafzger 4-8-11 F Toro 14

9-4 Theatrical & Louis Le Grand (coupled), 7-2 Trempolino, 5-1 Swink & Rivlia (coupled), 8-1 Allez Milord, 12-1 Bint Pasha, 14-1 Circus Prince, 16-1 Sir Harry Lewis, 20-1 others.

10.36 BREEDERS' CUP CLASSIC (Grade I: £912,162: 1m 2f: dirt) (12 runners)

1 2322 CANDI'S GOLD 14 (C,F) E Gregson 3-8-10 .. C Black 1
2 3311 GOOD COMMAND 42 (F) G Jones 4-9-0 A Cordero jr 2
3 1101 JUDGE ANGELUCCI 28 (CD,F) C Whittingham 4-9-0 E Delahoussaye 3
4 0213 SKYWALKER 14 (D,F,S) Michael Whittingham 5-9-0 L Pincay jr 4
5 2413 CRYPTOCLEARANCE 29 (F) F Schulhofer 3-8-10 P Day 5
6 4111 FERDINAND 14 (CD,F) C Whittingham 4-9-0 W Shoemaker 6
7 2112 AFLEET 29 (F) P England (Can) 3-8-10 G Stahlbaum 7
8 1124 HE'S A SAROS 14 (F) J Manzi 4-9-0 ... P Valenzuela 8
9 4201 ALYSHEBA 55 (D,F) J Van Berg 3-8-10 . C McCarron 9
10 2402 BOLD ARRANGEMENT 58 (G) C Brittain (GB) 4-9-0 S Cauthen 10
11 4242 GULCH 31 (F,S) L Jolley 3-8-10 ..... J A Santos 11
12 3241 NOSTALGIA'S STAR 14 (D,F) J M Robbins 5-9-0 F Toro 12

Evens Ferdinand, 7-2 Alysheba, 8-1 Candi's Gold, 10-1 Skywalker, 12-1 Afleet, 16-1 Judge Angelucci, 20-1 Bold Arrangement, Cryptoclearance, 25-1 Gulch, 33-1 others.

Wyer fined over whip offence

Lorcan Wyer was fined £100 by the Ayr stewards yesterday for improper riding and excessive use of the whip on Samfen in the Drybridge Novices' Chase.

Wyer finished second on the odds-on favourite, beaten three-quarters of a length by Brandy Hambro, who was avenging an earlier Newcastle defeat.

Samfen was in front four fences from home but Brandy Hambro, an 11-2 chance, joined him two out and took a narrow advantage after jumping the last which he held to the line.

Two possible Cheltenham prospects emerged from the novice hurdles in Aston Express and Hitchcock.

Aston Express produced a smooth performance to land the EBF Novices' Hurdle Qualifier by 10 lengths from Boy Painter. Trainer George Moore said: "Although Aston Express was bought as a Cheltenham horse, he is still a bit of a baby. He will improve a lot for this."

Hitchcock, trained in Ireland by Richard Ferguson, won the Blackhouse Novices' Hurdle, leading three out and striding out well to beat Tartan Trademark by five lengths.

Richard Maybin, the winning owner, said: "We will take each race as it comes but he could be a Cheltenham horse."

Sabin du Loir pays another tribute to masterly Pipe

The magic touch of West Country trainer Martin Pipe has conjured new life into one-time Champion Hurdle hope Sabin du Loir, who made a spectacular winning comeback at Ascot yesterday.

A mass of injury setbacks have plagued Sabin du Loir since he beat Dawn Run in the Sun Alliance Hurdle at the Cheltenham Festival in 1983, when trained by Michael Dickinson.

He later moved on to David Murray-Smith, but four months ago switched again, this time to Pipe, for whom the eight-year-old was making his debut here.

The gelding swims at least twice a day in Pipe's lavish complex in Somerset, and is to put the finishing preparations for this race. Peter Scudamore schooled him over three flights of hurdles after racing at Taunton on Thursday.

"We tested the gelding's blood this morning, and it was perfect, so we knew he would win," said Pipe, after Sabin du Loir had come home a 12 lengths winner of the £20,000 Ellis, Son and Vidler Ascot Hurdle after cutting out most of the running.

Pipe is keeping his fingers crossed the horse returns home sound, but after his glittering show he could at last be back on the Champion Hurdle road, and earned a 20-1 quote with Ladbrokes for the 1988 Festival prize.

The stewards held an inquiry into why John McLaughlin pulled up 15-8 favourite, Ibn Majed, when in fourth place two flights from home. McLaughlin reported he was never happy with the horse and felt him go shortly after turning for home.

His trainer Chuck Spares added that the horse had nicked his off-fore on Monday, was running with a boot here, and may have struck into himself again.

A message was being flashed to the pilot of a jet midway across the Atlantic following the breathtaking triumph of Barnbrook Again in the Hurst Park Novices' Chase.

David Elsworth, trainer of the winner, was on his way to Hollywood Park to saddle Governor General in the Breeders Cup Sprint, and his parting wish to his wife, Jayne, at Heathrow was to somehow get a call to inform him of Barnbrook Again's performance.

Words alone would be difficult to portray the six-year-old's exciting fast jumping as he cut out most of the running. Shaking off his chief market rival Prideaux Boy two out, he came home in a canter 20 lengths clear.

Promising claimer Willie Humphreys will be sidelined for three weeks after sustaining severe concussion and two broken teeth in a fall from Hope End down the far side in the Charles Davis Handicap Chase.

Eventual winner Warner For Leisure just managed to avoid being brought down by the faller. He came from a long way back to collar 25-1 shot Peter Anthony close home.

A spell of hunting on the wilds of Exmoor with the Devon and Somerset Staghounds has sparked new life into Warner For Leisure, who is now unbeaten in two appearances since joining Minehead trainer Philip Hobbs three months ago.

All-weather trials

The Jockey Club are to carry out a series of all-weather track trials at Newmarket on December 1. All trainers have been invited to the gallops which will take place on the flat and over hurdles and fences. A decision on the possible introduction of all-weather track racing will be taken over the next few months.

Sponsor drops out

York racecourse has ended its sponsorship deal with American bloodstock agents Matchmaker, sponsors of the prestigious Matchmaker International for the past two years.

SKIING

Fears that future could be downhill

By Michael Coleman

There will be anxious moments this weekend for officials of the British Ski Federation, as the sport's ruling world council meets in Madrid. At stake is both this country's whole alpine commitment in an Olympic year and the development of a team of racers capable of giving Britain a respectable image on the downhill slopes.

The International Ski Federation (FIS) council will have before it a strong protest submitted by Britain against a proposed rule change which, if ratified, would cut the British men's world cup ski team this season by half. Instead of the expected four-man squad, only two would be guaranteed places.

This would be disastrous for the BSF, which is basking in a recently-agreed three-year sponsorship with Drambuie on the assumption that four racers would be wearing the Drambuie livery at all world cup downhill events this season, of which there are 10, as well as at the Olympics. The four in question — Martin Bell, his brother, Graham, Ronald Duncan and Nigel Smith — all did well enough last season to earn their places.

This was under the long-in-force points system. The FIS council is now being strongly recommended by its alpine sub-committee to change the world cup qualification so that skiers make the slopes not on their points ratings but on rankings. If this is approved this weekend, then both Graham Bell and Smith would be excluded from world cup races.

Acting swiftly after only 10 days' notice of this proposed radical upheaval, which would take effect immediately, Tom Fitzpatrick, the BSF chairman, and Lord Congleton, a former chairman, have lodged a strong protest with the FIS council. They particularly complain at its abrupt timing which has caught most nations not at the very top of alpine skiing totally unawares.

Under the existing points system, those with totals less than 60 qualify. Martin Bell has 18, Ronald Duncan 49, Graham Bell 52, and Nigel Smith 54. Under a rankings system, only those inside the first 150 qualify: Martin Bell is ranked 20th, Duncan, 139th, Graham Bell 152nd and Smith 169th.

In the swing

Ronnie Corbett, Henry Cooper, Terry Wogan and Jimmy Tarbuck are the four celebrities hoping to raise £139,000 for charity with a Pro-Celebrity golf tournament at Moor Park on June 9-12.

GOLF

Lyle and Torrance give Scotland half-way lead

From Mitchell Platts, Golf Correspondent, Maui, Hawaii

Sandy Lyle had a second round of 69 in the 33rd World Cup of Golf on Thursday to take Scotland into the half-way lead following a gruelling five-and-a-half hours on Kapalua's Bay Course. Strong trade winds, gusting at times to 30 miles per hour, buffeted the players, who faced an additional hazard for the first two hours as driving rain slanted across the fairways.

Sam Torrance, who scored 71 in spite of hooking his tee-shot out of bounds at the 18th, and Lyle remained supremely composed in the foul conditions. "We both played extremely well, especially when the weather was at its worst," Lyle said. Torrance added: "The first six holes were at least twice as difficult compared with the first day because of the weather."

Scotland had a five-under-par 36-hole total of 283 — both balls count in this two-man team competition — and a three-stroke advantage over the United States. Ben Crenshaw and Payne Stewart were both compelled to work hard for their rounds of 73. Australia, for whom Rodger Davis had an excellent 71, and Sweden, represented by Mats Lanner (71) and Ove Sellberg (73), are both one shot further adrift.

Torrance said: "It was a long day but with a $200,000 (about £112,000) first prize to share, and another $50,000 (£28,000) for the individual winner, I'd stay out on the course for six hours or even more. Anyway, there is the honour of playing for your country. It means a great deal to me."

Lyle's second successive sub-70 round, on the course where he won the Kapalua International in 1984, enabled him to move alongside Ian Woosnam in the lead on the individual scoreboard. Woosnam added a 70 to his opening 67 in spite of missing eight putts of 15 feet or less for birdies.

Ireland, who started out one shot behind the United States, the first-round leaders, faltered. Ronan Rafferty was out in a two-under-par 34, but he finished with a 71. That kept him in contention for individual honours, but Eamonn Darcy took 76.

England also went into reverse. Howard Clark followed his first round of 68 with a disappointing 77, while Mark James, who has been remodelling his swing, struggled to a 76. It meant that England had a total of 295, 12 strokes more than Scotland.

In truth, it was a difficult day on which to score well. Lyle and Torrance, however, combined superbly to catapult Scotland to the front. Their philosophy is to encourage each other rather than offer advice. Torrance explained: "Sandy has won 50-odd tournaments without my advice, so why should I start offering it now?"

Torrance, however, did reveal that Lyle had offered him one piece of advice during the first round. "When we stood on the 18th tee, Sandy told me not to snap-hook it because it would go out of bounds. Unfortunately he didn't say anything today!"

That was the only destructive shot that Torrance hit all day. He played soundly and he was rewarded with three birdies, although he took three putts at the second hole and dropped his other shot at the 18th. Lyle needed a five-iron instead of a wedge, which he would strike in normal conditions, at the second, but he still hit the ball to within eight feet. He missed that putt but went on to hole three more for his birdies in a virtually flawless performance.

Woosnam, meanwhile, remained in the groove. He hit the ball with such authority that it seemed he would move clear in the race for the individual prize. Once again, however, he struggled on the greens.

Card of course

Hole	Yds	Par	Hole	Yds	Par
1	504	5	10	527	5
2	372	4	11	408	4
3	419	4	12	220	3
4	357	4	13	345	4
5	205	3	14	349	4
6	500	5	15	470	4
7	355	4	16	371	4
8	162	3	17	192	3
9	453	4	18	552	5
Out	3,327	36	In	3,434	36

Total yardage: 6,761 Par: 72

SECOND ROUND SCORES: 283: Scotland (A Lyle, 68, 69; S Torrance, 75, 71). 286: United States (B Crenshaw, 70, 73; P Stewart, 70, 73). 287: Australia (R Davis, 73, 71; D Moore, 70, 73); Sweden (M Lanner, 72, 71; O Sellberg, 71, 73). 288: Wales (D Llewellyn, 76, 75; I Woosnam, 67, 70). 289: Canada (J Anderson, 73, 73; D Barr, 71, 72); Japan (K Suzuki, 69, 70; K Takahashi, 74, 76); Argentina (E Romero, 73, 71; A Saavedra, 70, 75). Other scores: 294: New Zealand (F Nobilo, 75, 71; G Turner, 72, 76). 295: England (N Clark, 68, 77; M James, 74, 76). 298: Italy (G Cal, 74, 78; S Grappasonni, 71, 75). 299: Denmark (S Tinning, 72, 78; A Sorenson, 74, 75). 302: Spain (J-M Canizares, 78, 79; J Rivero, 71, 74). 304: West Germany (O Eckstein, 75, 74; T Gideon, 74, 81). 306: Philippines (E Begtas, 74, 82; M Siodora, 72, 78); 307: France (E Dussart, 81 77; M A Ferry, 72, 77). 308: Venezuela, (R Munoz, 75, 76; J Santana, 77, 80); Mexico (E Perez Acosta, 77, 81; F Esparza, 76, 74). 310: Belgium (V Duysters, 75, 80; P Toussiant, 76, 79); Austria (F Lamer, 78, 79; O Gartenmaier, 77, 76). 313: Portugal (R Valante, 76 84, C Alexo, 76, 77. 314: Switzerland (C Duran, 75, 79; A Jeanquarter, 75, 85. 315: Hong Kong (Ming Yau Sui, 77, 80; Tang Alex, 79, 79). 317: Malaysia (M Ramayah, 76, 79; Nazamuddin Yusuf, 82, 80). 318: South Korea (Yoon Soo Choi, 81, 79; Song Ho Kim, 78, 80) 319: Bermuda (D Pearman, 76, 79; K Smith, 82, 82). 325: Fiji (S Lutunatabua, 86, 84; A Kumar, 75, 80) 332: Singapore (Lim Kian Kee, 83, 82; M Murugiah, 79, 88).

Parry shares a second round lead with Taylor

Perth (Reuter) — Craig Parry, the defending champion, recorded his second successive round of 71 to share the lead with fellow-Australian, Gerard Taylor, after two rounds of the Western Australian Open at Joondalup yesterday.

Taylor returned a 70, including three birdies and a one over par, to join Parry on two-under-par 142 at the half-way stage of the tournament. One stroke back was Vaughan Somers, of Australia. Parry threatened to pull away after scoring four birdies in the first six holes but he slipped back in the middle stages.

David Graham, the tournament favourite, once again ran into trouble at the par-four third hole, taking seven shots to match his effort of the previous day. The Australian scored 78 for a two-round total of 152.

Lyndsay Stephen, the overnight leader, scored 77 to finish four strokes behind the leaders.

LEADING SECOND ROUND SCORES (Australia unless stated): 142: C Parry, 71, 71; G Taylor, 72, 70. 143: V Somers, 72, 71. 144: A Painter, 70, 74. 145: W Smith, 73, 72; B King, 70, 75. 146: B Lendzion (US), 74, 72; R Stephen, 72, 74; L Stephen, 69, 77; P Jones, 70, 76. 147: J Deep, 72, 75; J Benepe (US), 73, 74.

● Sandy Lyle and Ian Woosnam, who finished third and fifth respectively in the Kapalua International in Hawaii last weekend, are the leading British golfers in the latest Sony world ranking list. They are placed fifth and sixth respectively while Nick Faldo, the Open champion, who finished joint sixth at Kapalua, is 17th. Ronan Rafferty, of Ireland, winner of the South Australian Open, moved up to 73rd.

SNOOKER

More than just a match for Higgins

By Steve Acteson

It is something of an anti-climax to see Alex Higgins and Steve Davis squaring up to each other in only the fifth round of the Tennents United Kingdom snooker championships as they will, over the best of 17 frames, today.

On the four previous occasions that they have made Preston's Guild Hall their private duelling square, three have been in the final, Davis winning twice, and the last meeting was a year ago when Davis once again becalmed the Hurricane in the semi-finals.

While Davis has maintained his position as the game's No. 1 since the start of the 1982 season, Higgins has slipped down the ladder little by little to his present position at No. 9.

Having also missed the first two ranking tournaments this season through the well-deserved ban that reflected an unsavoury chapter of incidents last term, Higgins is in need of every ranking point that he can muster if he is to save his place in the top 16.

The prospect of matches between the cool, calculating Davis and Higgins, the Irish firebrand, have always set pulses racing, even if the reality has sometimes been a disappointment.

Their most absorbing clash remains the 1983 UK final when Higgins, flattened 7-0 in the Saturday afternoon session, struggled back onto his feet and eventually won a magnificent match the following day by 16-15.

Higgins is relishing the prospect of once again tackling Davis, saying: "I can't wait to play him again and I fancy my chances of winning this time." If, however, he thinks Davis is also champing at the bit then he is doomed to a grave disappointment. "Everybody seems to be getting very excited about it, but for me it is just another match," Davis, who is seeking his sixth UK title in eight seasons and his fourth in succession, said.

He added: "It is for the media and the public to build the whole thing up, but it is for Alex and me to take it in our professional stride."

Very much on today's undercard is the meeting between Joe Johnson, the 1986 world champion, and Tony Chappel, of Wales, who has never before reached the last 16 of a major tournament. He beat Dean Reynolds, seeded 15, and Steve Longworth to do so this time.

DRAW: Fifth round: S Davis (Eng) v A Higgins (N Ire); J Parrott (Eng) v A Knowles (Eng); D O'Kane (NZ) v W Thorne (Eng); J Campbell (Aus) v C Thorburn (Can); D Fowler (Eng) v M Hallett (Eng); T Chappel (Wal) v J Johnson (Eng); T Griffiths (Wal) v S Francisco (SA); D Roe (Eng) v J White (Eng).

Ueno keeps lead after second round

Miyazaki, Japan (AFP) — Tadami Ueno, of Japan, shot a 68 to maintain his lead after the second round of the $1 million Dunlop Phoenix tournament yesterday.

He notched up four birdies on the 6,993-yard Phoenix Country Club course for a two-round total of 134, one stroke clear of his compatriot, Hiroshi Makino.

Craig Stadler, of the United States, returned the day's best score of 65 and climbed from 21st to third equal with Koichi Uehara, also of Japan, on 136. Masashi Ozaki, of Japan, and David Ishii, of the United States, are on 137, continuing their duel for the season's money title on the Japanese tour, while Seve Ballesteros scored his second 69.

CRICKET

Indoor game finds new devotees and more teams

By Martin Searby

Nine new centres have joined the indoor league which gets under way tomorrow — 50 per cent more teams than took part in the inaugural season last year.

The new teams will compete in three regional tournaments at Leeds, Nottingham and Docklands, to decide which will join the national league competition, won last winter by Walsall.

In the south, two from Canterbury, Dartford and Docklands play off for places alongside Hounslow, Tottenham, Ipswich, Totton and Fareham; in the Midlands either Solihull, Wolverhampton or Nottingham North will join Leicester, Nottingham, Wellingborough, Cradley Heath, Peterborough and Walsall; in the north, one of Stockport, Liverpool or Leeds will join Manchester, Sheffield, Hull, Derby, Warrington and Rochdale.

The three zones of seven teams each will be aiming for the finals, which will be held in March next year at the National Exhibition Centre in Birmingham, on a court specially built to take into account the increased number of spectators.

This season the growing sport, which now has an estimated 50,000 devotees, has a new sponsor with Webster's, the brewers, taking over from Foster's and putting approximately £120,000 into the pool, with £4,000 at stake for the teams which reach the finals.

The eight-a-side form of cricket now has a national authority, the United Kingdom Indoor Cricket Federation, and a unified rule book which governs all 26 centres, each of which runs its own local league competitions.

For the five new teams who fail to win a place in the major league there will be a plate competition, called the Webster's Tankard, to be decided on points won against sides in the senior groupings.

"The new centres have confirmed our estimate that the sport would grow at an astonishing rate," Nick Priestnall, spokesman for the national league, said.

"The support at the finals in Manchester last year has led us to believe there will be even more interest in the spring and that is why we have booked the National Exhibition Centre in Birmingham where a purpose-built court and seating will be provided.

"Quite apart from the 21 teams competing we are particularly pleased that the game has caught on with so many other people, including women and girls, who have never been near a proper cricket match in their lives," he said.

The qualifying tournament starts tomorrow with the full programme pitching stumps the following week.

Greenidge cuts loose with Richards in tow

Chandigarh (Reuter) — Centuries by the opening batsman, Gordon Greenidge (174), and the captain, Vivian Richards (138), helped West Indies to pile up 429 for six on the opening day of their three-day match against India under-25s yesterday.

The pair added 303 for the third wicket in only 203 minutes before both retired after tea to allow their team-mates some batting practice.

Richards had no hesitation in deciding to bat first after winning the toss on an easy-paced wicket. Simmons and Richardson went quickly for eight and three respectively, but their dismissals only gave Greenidge and Richards the chance to show up the inexperience of the Indian attack.

Greenidge hit six sixes, five of them over long on and all but one off the left-arm spinner, Azim Khan, whose last over cost 21 runs, including two sixes and two fours.

The hapless Azim also dropped Greenidge off his own bowling when the batsman was on 57. At 97 Greenidge survived a confident lbw appeal from Narendra Hirwani.

Greenidge had a slice of luck at 125 when Pradeep Kasliwal dropped a skier at long-off off Hirwani. Richards, too, survived when Manu Nayyar failed to hold a straight catch at deep extra cover off when he was on 102.

Both batsmen scored 20 boundaries — Richards striking two sixes and 18 fours — before they handed over to Gus Logie, who finished unbeaten on 52, and Jeff Dujon.

WEST INDIES — First innings

C G Greenidge retired	174
P V Simmons c and b Kasliwal	8
R B Richardson c Manjrekar b Singh	3
*I V A Richards retired	138
A L Logie not out	52
†P J Dujon run out	7
R A Harper c Pandit b Singh	24
C G Butts not out	11
Extras (lb-5 b-1 nb-4 w-2)	12
Total(for six wkt-ets)	429

W W Davis, C A Walsh and B P Patterson to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS. 1-25, 2-28, 3-330, 4-330, 5-340, 6-394.

INDIA UNDER-25s: †C Pandit, C Saldhana, S Manjrekar, B Pillai, S Sharma, J Singh, S Kulkarni, N Hirwani, Azim Khan, M Nayyar, P Kasliwal.

GYMNASTICS

Interest grows in Liverpool festival

By Peter Aykroyd

The number of gymnasts at the second Liverpool Ministrada being staged today and tomorrow has doubled following the inauguration of the pioneering British gymnastics festival last year when some 250 gymnasts took part.

Such was its popularity that this year more than 500 gymnasts in 25 teams from all over Britain will convene at Everton Park to perform group displays involving every aspect of gymnastics — artistic, rhythmic, and sports acrobatics.

The Ministrada is a gymnastics festival based on the International Gymnaestrada which is held every five years and which can involve as many as 18,000 participants, as was the case this year at Herning in Denmark. The Gymnaestrade movement is based on recreation, keep-fit, creativity and fun, appealing to a growing number of gymnasts of all ages who prefer to perform in a relaxed, non-competitive atmosphere away from the formal restraints and hard training demanded by competition.

In Britain, the enthusiasm for general, as opposed to competitive gymnastics, is growing fast. Brian Stocks, director of the Ministrada, said: "Our festival confirms that this new wave of gymnastics-for-all is now engulfing a wide range of devotees including pensioners, tiny tots and people with disabilities. Numbers are likely to double again next year."

TENNIS

Medvedeva is too good for Catlin

Natalia Medvedeva, of the Soviet Union, collected her third title in three weeks when she defeated Teresa Catlin, of Britain, 6-2, 6-3, in the final of the LTA women's indoor tournament at Croydon.

The Soviet girl, aged 16, controlled the match throughout its 68 minutes, showing fine anticipation and groundstrokes. Catlin, aged 18, from Cambridge, tried in vain to vary the pace of the game to try to force her opponent into errors — but Medvedeva was just too good.

Miss Medvedeva and Eugenia Maniukova, also of the Soviet Union, were beaten 6-4, 6-1, by their compatriot Victoria Milvidskaia and Paulette Moreno, of Hong Kong, in the doubles final.

RESULTS: Singles: Final: N Medvedeva (USSR) bt T Catlin (Cambridgeshire), 6-2, 6-3. Doubles: Final: V Milvidskaia (USSR) and P Moreno (HK) bt E Maniukova and N Medvedeva (USSR), 6-4, 6-1.

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Talented Joint Sovereignty to rule in competitive Ascot chase

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

Joint Sovereignty is my choice to win the H & T Walker Gold Cup at Ascot today.

Those with long memories will recall how unlucky he was not to win another event at the same meeting last year.

On that occasion he looked poised to collect until he was hampered badly by a loose horse approaching the last fence. Today's valuable prize will be a deserved consolation.

Later in the season Joint Sovereignty ran well to finish fourth in tough handicaps at Cheltenham and Liverpool, won by Gee-A, whom he will be meeting on much better terms now.

My selection began this season by winning a handicap at Newcastle from the more experienced Repington. That was a praiseworthy performance from a horse who looked a bit backward and in need of the outing.

Every bit as important, Joint Sovereignty also escaped picking up a penalty for today's race as it was not worth £3,000.

On the other hand, Gala's Image, Yahoo and Smart Tar have all been penalised 4lb for winning more valuable races since this handicap was framed.

In spite of that, I still expect Gala's Image to run a mighty race under 11st 11lb even though he will be meeting Foyle Fisherman on 10lb worse terms than when they clashed last at Newbury.

Over 2½ miles I prefer Joint Sovereignty and Gala's Image to Against The Grain, Yahoo and Smart Tar, whose best performances have been over further.

Obviously, Weather The Storm, the Irish raider, is not here to benefit his health. What I find significant is the fact that he was beaten 11 lengths last spring by Joint Sovereignty's stable companion Tickite Boo. So trainer Jimmy Fitzgerald knows precisely where he stands.

Fitzgerald and jockey Mark Dwyer are also hopeful of winning The Rip Handicap Chase with Bucko. But here I just prefer Course Hunter, who was only just touched off by Yahoo at Newbury earlier this month.

Today's programme opens with the Kennel Gate Novices' Hurdle. With Hill's Pageant, Away We Go, Lemhill, Olympic Times and Rustle all standing their ground, you will have to go a long way to see a better race for this sort of prize.

This looks a race to watch rather than bet upon because there are so many imponderables.

Lemhill and Olympic Times were both good on the Flat but neither have any experience of hurdling at racing pace. Nor has that good bumper Rustle although I am led to believe that he has been working and jumping really well at home recently.

Those seeking experience will lean towards Hill's Pageant while those opting for sheer flair may well prefer Away We Go as I do. He created an excellent impression at Kempton Park recently.

Anyone who was at Cheltenham eight days ago will not look beyond Pearlyman for the likely winner of the Manicou Handicap Chase even though Lefrak City and Long Engagement are also running.

At Cheltenham the two-mile champion was in such commanding form that he made light work of carrying 12st 7lb. He can win again with a bit less on his back.

His rider Peter Scudamore can complete a double by winning the Snow Hill Handicap Hurdle on Canford Palm, but his own hopes of a treble on Sea Island should be dashed by Calapaez (3.40).

Canford Palm, a winner three times last season, is the type who can give of his best at the first time of asking. He is now on the right mark to make a telling effect in this his first venture into handicap company, and he is my nap.

Elsewhere, doubles look in order for Phil Tuck at Ayr with Nickel Silver (12.30) and Randolph Place (3.0) and Hwyel Davies at Folkestone where he is expected to win on Dinny Walsh (12.45) and Castle Warden (2.15) for John Edwards.

Mad Jimmy (2.15) and Record Harvest (2.45) stand out at Catterick Bridge.

Abbey Glen can gain upper hand

From our Irish Racing Correspondent, Dublin

The Bishopscourt Chase at Naas this afternoon, worth only IR£3,450 to the winner, promises to be one of the most competitive novice events this side of Cheltenham.

Not only will it bring into opposition two unbeaten chasers, Abbey Glen and Bosphorus, but it also provides the setting for the return of the great Barney Burnett.

Due to back trouble, Barney Burnett missed the entire 1986-87 National Hunt season but previously he had been an outstanding young hurdler. Ruby Walsh is confident that Barney Burnett is fully sound again and in the lead-up to this race the trainer has taken him to several racecourses for schooling. In one of these tests he jumped exceptionally well with Banker's Benefit.

Under the conditions of the Bishopscourt Chase, Barney Burnett will be getting 10lb from Abbey Glen and 8lb from Bosphorus.

On today's terms a fully-fit Barney Burnett would make short work of these rivals but he may need the run, and Abbey Glen, who has shone in beating Orwell Times by 12 lengths at Punchestown and Basement by 10 lengths at Gowran Park, may, at this stage of the campaign, have the edge.

CATTERICK BRIDGE

Selections

By Mandarin

12.45 Lotus Island. 1.15 Paris Match. 1.45 The Wilk. 2.15 Mad Jimmy. 2.45 Record Harvest. 3.15 Happy Breed.

Going: good

12.45 GOATHLAND NOVICES HURDLE (3-Y-O: £755: 2m) (21 runners)

1	3	ALBION PLACE 10 A Brown 11-0	D Dutton
2		BOMMING AROUND Mrs S Bramall 11-3	L Wyer
6	03	BRANCHESTER 7 J Etherington 11-0	J J Quinn
8		DORRESTONE LAD R Stubbs 11-0	S Keighley
9		EUROCON T Barron 11-0	G Harker
10		GENNARO Denys Smith 11-0	C Grant
11	0	GEOBRITONY 10 D Moffatt 11-0	K Teelan
13		GUNNER STREAM R Holder 11-0	P Murphy
17	3	LEAVENWORTH 21 J Blundell 11-0	M Brennan
19		LOTUS ISLAND (B) N Tinkler 11-0	Miss G Armytage
24	0	RARE FIRE 15 R Earnshaw 11-0	J D Davies (4)
25		SAWDUST JACK M W Easterby 11-0	G Bradley
31	0234	UP THE LADDER 21 C Charlet 11-0	A Carroll
33		BEN'S BIRTHDAY P Beaumont 10-9	P A Farrell (4)
34		CALL FOR TAYLOR H Collingridge 10-9	S Woods (7)
35	0	GALA LOCH 7 S Payne 10-9	P Dennis
38		HONEST Ron Thompson 10-9	R Balfour
39	0	MISTY RUNNER 39 Mrs S Austin 10-9	D Wilkinson
40	30	MY PRAYER 45 G Moore 10-9	M Hammond
41	0	NATURALLY AUTUMN 15 R Farr 10-9	
43		SUSAN HENCHARD M Avison 10-9	R Marley (7)

9-4 Leavenworth, 11-4 Cranchester , 9-2 Albion Place, 8-1 Up The Ladder, 10-1 My Prayer, 14-1 Gennaro, Gunner Stream.

1.15 CLEVELAND SELLING HURDLE (£970: 2m) (12)

1	0-01	PARIS MATCH 14 (CD,F) G Moore 5-11-12	M Hammond
4	0	KIRSTY'S BOY 35 J S Wilson 4-11-7	C Grant
6	4320	MR GARDINER 15 (B) M Naughton 5-11-7	G Bradley
8	-000	NIPPER SMITH 14 (B) W J Salem 4-11-7	Miss T Waggott (7)
10	-030	STRONGARM 10 (S) (B,O) R Dods 4-11-7	S Woods (7)
11	0PF4	QUIVERING 4 J Bennett 4-11-2	L Wyer
15		CALYPSO BEAT V Thompson 3-10-5	Mr M Thompson (4)
16	F	DERMOT FAHY 56 W Storey 3-10-5	D Teller (7)
17	0	GALLIONS POINT 8 J Blundell 3-10-5	M Brennan
20	0040	NIGHT VISITOR 10 J Parkes 3-10-5	J R Quinn (7)
24	040	YOUNG WARRIOR 21 Miss M Bell 3-10-5	B Storey
26	0	MAZURKANOVA 45 C Thornton 3-10-0	D Wilkinson

5-4 Paris Match, 7-2 Mr Gardiner, 5-1 Young Warrior, 8-1 Strongarm, 12-1 Kirsty's Boy, Quivering, 16-1 others.

1.45 DICK BREWITT HANDICAP CHASE (£2,561: 3m 300yd) (10)

3	-411	THE WILK 14 (CD,F,G) W A Stephenson 8-11-12	Mr A Costello (7)
4	10/2-	SINGALONG SAM 339 (CD,G,S) F Watson 10-11-10	C Grant
6	2-P0	KERSIL 14 (G,S) J Swiers 10-11-8	C Dennis (7)
7	244-	MEDWAY GAUNTLET 252 (G) J Blundell 12-11-4	M Brennan
8	0-F0	MISS MAYO 15 (B,F,F,G,S) Mrs G Reveley 10-11-4	B Storey
10	P-40	*LA BOEUF 15 (F,S) D Lamb 11-10-13. J O'Gorman (7)*	
11	104-	CANDY CONE 211 (G) P Brewis 7-10-10	G Harker
12	0-F3	PURPLE BEAM 5 (CD,F,G) T Barnes 8-10-7	R Crank
13	3240	CLONROCHE STREAM 43 (G,S) V Thompson 8-10-6	Mr M Thompson (4)
14	/3-4	JETHARTS HERE 14 (F,G) G Renilson 13-10-5	P Dennis

9-4 The Wilk, 5-2 Singalong Sam, 5-1 Purple Beam, 6-1 Medway Gauntlet, 10-1 Jetharts Here, 12-1 Clonroche Stream.

2.15 SELORCELE PLATING GOODWILL HURDLE (£1,362: 2m) (21)

2	0-PP	ALLMIN 22 J Wainwright 5-11-0	D Dutton
3	U00/	BURROGERARD 544 D McCain 6-11-0	B Storey
4	00-2	DOM EDINO 8 M Avison 4-11-0	R Marley (7)
5	0/02	MAD JIMMY 14 R Holder 5-11-0	P Murphy
6	00-0	MELROSIAN 5 J Berkett 7-11-0	P Dennis
7	0U0	MOLOCH 24 (B) Mrs S Austin 4-11-0	D Wilkinson
8	-000	PRETTY AMAZING 10 D Moffatt 6-11-0	Amanda Glendinning (7)
9	000-	RECOLLECT 259 J Payne 5-11-0	S Keighley
10	-P00	ROSIES SON 14 (B) M Naughton 5-11-0	L Wyer
11	0/P0	SHERPAMAN 26 G Kelly 5-11-0	J R Quinn (7)
12	-P00	TOSHEN BOY 24 D Lamb 7-11-0	K Jones
13	00-0	WREKIN MELODY 35 F Watson 6-11-0	C Grant
14	P00/	BRIANELA 736 N Waggott 7-10-9	Miss T Waggott (7)
15	0-00	CHESNUT AIR 15 (B) M Easterby 6-10-9	M Brennan
17	0P-0	DON'T BE SILLY 75 (B) Mrs C Clark 6-10-9	G Harker
18	000-0	DORIMAY 32 Mrs V Aggarley 5-10-9	J J Quinn
19	F0-3	HIGH RIVER 7 B Morgan 5-10-9	D Shaw
23	000-	KELLY NICOLA 245 C J Bell 5-10-9	C Dennis (7)
21	0-00	LOCHLAIREY 5 E Alston 4-10-9	M Alston (7)
22	00-F	RIGTON ANGLE 14 N Bradley 6-10-9	G Bradley
23	0-0P	SUEDE LADY 24 P Beaumont 4-10-9	P A Farrell (4)

11-8 Mad Jimmy, 5-2 Wrekin Melody, 13-2 High River, 8-1 Dom Edino, 10-1 Roses Son, 12-1 Lochlairey, 14-1 Dormay.

2.45 RACING POST NOVICES CHASE (£1,285: 2m) (14)

2	0U-1	RECORD HARVEST 7 (D,S) M H Easterby 6-11-11	L Wyer
3	04-F	ATKINSONS 7 (F,S) G Richards 6-11-4	J Hansen
5	110/	BOBBIN TINKER 559 (S) N Bradley 7-11-4	G Bradley
6	03P0	CLICKHAM LAD 15 (F,G,S) N Chamberlain 9-11-4	C Grant
7	0200	DALTON DANDY 15 V Hall 5-11-4	
8	4010	FINALE SEPT 15 (F,G,S) V Thompson 7-11-4	Mr M Thompson (4)
9	00/P	GALLEUM 10 J Charlton 10-11-4	P Dennis
12	00-0	J R DISCOUNTS 10 A Brown 6-11-4	D Dutton
15	3041	MOUNTAINEER 4 (F,G,S) J Leech 8-11-4	S Johnson
16	030/	MR PERFECT 553 B Wilkinson 9-11-4	G Harker
17	0P-0	MULATA 10 (S) D Moffatt 8-11-4	K Teelan
18	0/0-0	TANA'S PERFORMANCE 10 N Crump 8-11-4	D Wilkinson
25	0-P0	HATSU-GIRIE 22 R Swiers 8-10-13	Mr S Swiers (7)
26	2-00	MOLLY CAREW 14 (S) D Moffatt 7-10-13	K Ryan

10-11 Record Harvest, 7-2 Atkinsons, 5-1 Mountaineer, 8-1 Finale Sept, 10-1 J R Discounts, 12-1 others.

3.15 WOOD HOUSE HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,396: 2m) (19)

1	0-F0	DUNLORING 7 (D,S) G Moore 4-11-11	M Hammond
2	400-	CHARLOTTE'S DUNCE 324 (CD,F,S) M H Easterby 7-11-7D	Dutton
3	3F1-	LAKE VALENTINA 214 (F) M W Easterby 8-11-5	R Marley (7)
4	00/4	STAR OF A GUNNER 9 (S) R Holder 7-11-1	N Coleman
5	020-	PRICEOFLOVE 214 (D,G,S) D Moffatt 7-11-1	K Teelan
6	0-20	QURRAT AL AIN 12 (D,BF,F,G,S) M H Easterby 4-11-0	L Wyer
7	131-	CASTLEVENNON 516 (F,G,S) Mrs S Bramall 6-11-0	J O'Gorman (7)
9	2124-	MALADHU 320 (F) Jimmy Fitzgerald 8-10-11	Mr A Robeson (7)
12	6-10	MEADOW MOOR 45 (D,BF,F,S) D Lamb 4-10-8	K Jones
13	130P	KATY QUICK 14 (D,S) M Naughton 6-10-7	G Bradley
14	10-1	LADY BREED 9 (CD,G,S) J Bennett 4-10-5	M Brennan
15	0200	MADISON GIRL 8 (D,F) M W Easterby 4-10-2	J Hansen
16	14-0	KELSEY LADY 19 (D,F,S) J Haldane 9-10-1	B Storey
17	30-1	FOOT PATROL 7 (D,F,S) N Tinkler 5-10-1 (4ex)	NON-RUNNER
18	B300	MONCLARE TROPHY 50 (D,F) P Bevan 8-10-0	
21	/00-	ROMAN DELIGHT 324 (CD,S) J Charlton 5-10-0	P Dennis
22	-342	LINGHAM BRIDE 14 (F) J Swiers 5-10-0	C Dennis (7)
24	332/	*JUST A HALF $44 D McCain 5-10-0*	*S Keighley*
25	0/00	SHEBA'S GLORY 49 (G,S) F Watson 9-10-0	G Harker

4-1 Star Of A Gunner, 5-1 Qurrat Al Ain, 6-1 Maladhu, Katy Quick, 8-1 Happy Breed, 10-1 Dunloring.

Course specialists

TRAINERS: R Brewis, 6 winners from 17 runners, 35.3%; M H Easterby, 19 from 60, 31.7%; N Tinkler, 6 from 20, 30.0%; M W Easterby, 10 from 54, 18.5%; M Naughton, 9 from 53, 17.0%; Jimmy Fitzgerald, 8 from 53, 12.7%.

JOCKEYS: C Grant, 22 winners from 131 rides, 16.8%; M Brennan, 8 from 51, 15.7%; B Storey, 7 from 77, 9.1%. (Only qualifiers).

ASCOT

Selections

By Mandarin

1.00 Away We Go.
1.30 Pearlyman.
2.05 Joint Sovereignty.
2.35 CANFORD PALM (nap).
3.05 Course Hunter.
3.40 Calapaez.

By Michael Seely

2.05 Joint Sovereignty. 3.05 BUCKO (nap). 3.40 Calapaez.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.05 JOINT SOVEREIGNTY.

Going: good to soft

1.0 KENNEL GATE NOVICE HURDLE (£3,282: 2m) (10 runners) BBC 1

101	2022-11	HILL'S PAGEANT 10 (D,S) (L Thwaites) F Walwyn 8-11-11	K Mooney	99
102	2-1	AWAY WE GO 16 (G) (J Payne) J Jenkins 5-11-6	S Sherwood	97
103	00/10F	GANARO 16 (F) (F Harvey) G Balding 5-11-6	R Guest	70
106	00F-P	GOOD SAMARITAN 14 (G) (Lady Wates) R Gow 6-11-1	T Taaffe	—
107	0-0	JOHN PATRICK 35 (B) (J Marsella) H Wills 6-11-1	C Brown	—
110		LEMHILL (H Joel) A Turnell 5-11-1	Steve Knight	—
112		OLYMPIC TIMES (Running Horse Ltd) R Akehurst 5-11-1	D Browne	—
113	111	RUSTLE 210 (F,S) (R Waley-Cohen) N Henderson 5-11-1	M Bowlby	—
115	000-	SOUND OF MULL 283 (I Steers) P Bailey 5-11-1	B Powell	—
118	0-	WAAFI 238 (M Ingram) Mrs N Smith 5-11-1	P Scudamore	—

BETTING: 4-5 Hill's Pageant, 11-2 Away We Go, 6-1 Rustle, 8-1 Olympic Times, Lemhill, 14-1 Ganaro, 25-1 others.

1986: TELETRADER 5-11-6 B Powell (5-1) R Hodges 8 ran

FORM HILL'S PAGEANT has much the best hurdling form, a winner at Cheltenham and Newbury, best form last season when 3l Aintree 2nd (11-0) to Convinced (11-0) (2m, £5365, soft, Apr 2, 14 ran).

AWAY WE GO (10-10) was well backed prior to 1½l Kempton victory over Bilou Blues (10-10) (2m 4f, £2276, good, Nov 5, 21 ran).

GANARO, a taller two out in HILL'S PAGEANT'S Newbury race, (10-12) had won by ¾l from Tebtebo (11-3) at Worcester (2m 2f, £1286, firm, Sept 25, 23 ran).

RUSTLE, was the best National Hunt Flat race horse of last season, at Aintree (11-10) won by 2½l from Oratorio (11-4) (2m, £4326, good to soft, Apr 3, 17 ran).

LEMHILL is a very smart middle distance/stayer on the Flat.

OLYMPIC TIMES, a versatile handicapper on the Flat, scored twice in Ireland last season.

Selection: HILL'S PAGEANT

1.30 MANICOU HANDICAP CHASE (£6,870: 2m) (6 runners) BBC 1

201	011F-21	PEARLYMAN 8 (CD,F,G,S) (Mrs P Shaw) J Edwards 8-12-4 (4ex)	P Scudamore	99
203	41P-40P	FAR BRIDGE 21 (CD,F,G,S) (Duke of Atholl) G Balding 11-10-0	K Mooney	95
205	P12/0F-1	LEFRAK CITY 11 (D,G,S) (Mrs D Twine) T Forster 10-10-0 (4ex)	C Llewellyn (4)	98
206	133-413	LONG ENGAGEMENT 11 (CD,BF,G) (B Gregory) D Nicholson 6-10-0	R Dunwoody	93
208	P0-2201	AKRAM 16 (D,F,G,S) (S Allen) R Hodges 9-10-0 (4ex)	C Brown	75
210	011-1P0	LEGAL AID 10 (D,F,G) (P Hill) C Popham 7-10-0	B Powell	59

BETTING: 4-5 Pearlyman, 7-2 Lefrak City, 9-2 Long Engagement, 13-2 Far Bridge, 33-1 Akram, 50-1 Legal Aid.

1986: FAR BRIDGE 10-10-12 G Bradley (4-1) G Balding 5 ran

FORM PEARLYMAN (12-7) put up a good performance last time when beating Baluchi (10-0) 3l at Cheltenham (2m, £4448, soft, Nov 13, 7 ran).

LEFRAK CITY (11-11) made a successful reappearance when making all to beat Scots Nogger (10-0) 20l at Hereford (2m 3f, £2356, heavy, Nov 10, 4 ran).

LONG ENGAGEMENT (10-7) best judged on a ½l beating of Panto Prince (11-6) over this course and distance (£10692, good, Oct 28, 7 ran), with a below par FAR BRIDGE (11-6) in a well beaten 6th.

FAR BRIDGE (10-12) best performance in this contest last year when beating Captain Dawn (11-0) 4l (£8368, good, Nov 15, 5 ran).

AKRAM (11-10) held on close home to beat Terryash (11-1) a neck at Stratford (2m, £2498, good to soft, Nov 5, 7 ran).

LEGAL AID (10-5) last successful when beating Brave Hussar (11-10) 1½l at Devon (2m 1f, £1904, hard, Aug 6, 5 ran).

Selection: PEARLYMAN

2.5 H & T WALKER GOLD CUP CHASE (Limited Handicap Grade II: £24,009: 2m 4f) (11 runners) BBC 1

301	23312-1	GALA'S IMAGE 29 (D,F,G,S) (Sheikh Khamsin) Mrs M Rimell 7-11-11 (4ex)	D Browne	84
302	13241-2	AGAINST THE GRAIN 9 (D,G,S) (J Mawle) D Nicholson 6-11-10	R Dunwoody	86
303	1F2-4F2	GEE-A 7 (D,F,G,S) (G Hubbard) G Hubbard 8-11-5	R Supple (7)	90
304	2111-21	YAHOO 10 (F,S) (A Parker) J Edwards, 6-11-3 (4ex)	T Morgan	92
306	38211-2	FOYLE FISHERMAN 29 (CD,BF,G,S) (J Hutchinson) J Gifford 8-11-1	R Rowe	86
307	21423-2	WEATHER THE STORM 14 (G,S) (F Conroy) A Moore (Ire) 7-11-0	T Taaffe	92
308	21144-1	JOINT SOVEREIGNTY 24 (D,F,G,S) (F Doyle) Jimmy Fitzgerald 7-10-13	M Dwyer	99
309	0211-40	BARRYPHILIPS DISCO 7 (CD,G,S) (I Ender) R Whitaker 10-10-12	R Beggan	80
312	1FP1-31	SMART TAR 10 (F,S) (Mrs E Courage) M Wilkinson 6-10-7 (4ex)	C Llewellyn (4)	83
314	102-0F2	STIRABOUT 7 (B,F,S) (E Thorbek) N Henderson 7-10-7	S Sherwood	90
315	2/3221-2	RHOECUS 10 (S) (Mrs M Radbourne) B Smart 8-10-7	B de Haan	75

BETTING: 4-1 Joint Sovereignty, 6-1 Foyle Fisherman, 8-1 Weather The Storm, Gala's Image, Gee-A, 10-1 Smart Tar, 12-1 Yahoo, 16-1 Against The Grain, 25-1 Stirabout, 33-1 others.

1986: CHURCH WARDEN 7-10-7 R Dunwoody (12-1) D Murray-Smith 6 ran

FORM GALA'S IMAGE (11-10) led two out and came away to beat FOYLE FISHERMAN (11-10) 5l at Newbury (2m 4f, £3831, good, Oct 23, 10 ran).

AGAINST THE GRAIN (11-0) will strip fitter for a 10l 2nd to Bolands Cross (11-10) at Wincanton (3m 1f, soft) - showed better on final start last season when (11-3) beating Dotton House (11-3) 1½l at Aintree (3m 1f, £5881, soft, Apr 2, 13 ran).

GEE-A (10-1) back to best last time when a creditable 15l 2nd to Beau Ranger (10-2) at Cheltenham (2m 4f, £14512, soft, Nov 14, 14 ran).

YAHOO (11-7) pushed out to beat Course Hunter (10-13) 3l at Newbury (3m, £3954, soft, Nov 11, 10 ran) - may find this trip on the sharp side.

WEATHER THE STORM (12-0) far from disgraced latest start when ¾l 2nd to Super Furrow (12-0) at Naas (2m 40yd, £2760, soft, Nov 7, 9 ran).

JOINT SOVEREIGNTY (11-5) made a winning reappearance when driven out to beat Repington (11-12) 4l at Newcastle (2m4f, £2289, good to soft, Oct 28, 10 ran).

SMART TAR (11-0) overcame a last fence mistake to beat RHOECUS (11-5) 3l at Newbury (2m 4f, £3475, soft, Nov 11, 9 ran).

Selection: WEATHER THE STORM

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103 0-0432 TIMESFORM 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 ..... B West (4) 88

Racecard number. Six-figure form (F-fell. P-pulled up. U-unseated rider. B-brought down. S-slipped up. R-refused). Horse's name. Days since last outing. (B-blinkers. V-visor. H-hood. E-Eyeshield. C-course winner. D-distance winner. CD-course and distance winner. BF-beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F-firm, good to firm, hard. G-good. S-soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

2.35 SNOW HILL HANDICAP HURDLE (£6,316: 2m) (6 runners)

401	20110-0	BEAT THE RETREAT 14 (CD,F,G,S) (A Forster) J Jenkins 6-11-11	S Sherwood	92
402	1130/10-	TOM SHARP 329 (D,G,S) (M Yarrow) W Wharton 7-11-8	S J O'Neill	99
404	1401/	INSULAR 623 (D,F,G) (Queen Mother) I Balding 7-10-10	R Dunwoody	—
405	33121-4	JIMMY LORENZO 14 (F,S) (J De Mestre) P Hedger 5-10-7	I Shoemark (7)	98
408	0111-	CANFORD PALM 220 (C,D,G,S) (Mrs M Cobham) F Winter 6-10-2	P Scudamore	93
409	20002/0-	ISAAC NEWTON 392 (F) (N Clark) N Henderson 9-10-0	M Bowlby	—

BETTING: 5-2 Canford Palm, 11-4 Beat The Retreat, 4-1 Tom Sharp, 8-1 Jimmy Lorenzo, 10-1 Insular, 16-1 Isaac Newton.

1986: FLOYD 6-11-1 C Brown (5-2) D Elsworth 8 ran

FORM TOM SHARP (11-0) best judged on a head beating of Ballydurrow (11-0) at Newcastle (2m, £9545, good, Nov 1986, 10 ran).

INSULAR (10-0) last seen out when beating Hypnosis (10-2) ¾l at Sandown (2m, £11654, good, Mar 1986, 19 ran).

JIMMY LORENZO (11-5) not far off best when 3¼l 4th to Lashkaldal (10-7) at Warwick (2m, £3283, good to soft, Nov 7, 8 ran), a race in which a backward BEAT THE RETREAT (12-5) was another 15l behind in 4th.

BEAT THE RETREAT (11-11) better judged on an easy 5l defeat of Freemason here (2m, £4013, good, Apr 15, 11 ran).

CANFORD PALM (11-7) ended last season with a 2l defeat of Yeoman Broker (11-7) at Ascot (2m 4f, £3658, good, Apr 15, 20 ran).

Selection: JIMMY LORENZO

3.5 RIP HANDICAP CHASE (£7,154: 3m) (8 runners)

502	3F20-31	BUCKO 8 (D,G,S) (Mrs P MacCann) Jimmy Fitzgerald 10-12-0	M Dwyer	95
504	3244-11	SUN RISING 9 (B,CD,G,S) (Queen Mother) F Walwyn 9-11-9	K Mooney	95
505	011-03F	STAR OF SCREEN 7 (D,F,S) (R McAlpine) J Edwards 7-11-5	T Morgan	86
506	00202-2	LEWESDON PRINCE 17 (D,F,S) (T Frost) P Hobbs 10-10-13	R Beggan	99
507	120-0P4	QUEENSWAY BOY 9 (D,BF,F,G,S) (Queensway) Miss A King 8-10-13	A Webb	98
508	1330F-2	COURSE HUNTER 10 (G,S) (D Buck) D Murray-Smith 9-10-13	R Dunwoody	93
509	FF10-F1	TARCONEY 21 (G,S) (R Whittle) P Cundell 7-10-8	P Scudamore	97
510	4/3U32-0	FRIENDLY HENRY 7 (R Wright) J Fox 7-10-4	B Powell	90

BETTING: 11-4 Bucko, 7-2 Sun Rising, 5-1 Tarconey, 11-2 Course Hunter, 13-2 Lewesdon Prince, 7-1 Star Of Screen, 12-1 Queensway Boy, 20-1 Friendly Henry.

1986: BOLANDS CROSS 7-11-13 P Scudamore (4-1) N Gaselee 8 ran

FORM BUCKO (11-9) 2l Market Rasen winner over Pacifiste (10-2) (3m, £2910, soft, Nov 13, 5 ran).

SUN RISING, a winner here last month (3m, good), then battled on well (10-13) to beat Imperial Champagne (10-1) 2½l at Wincanton (2m 5f, soft, Nov 12, 8 ran).

STAR OF SCREEN had every chance when tiring three out at Cheltenham (3m 4f), a race in which FRIENDLY HENRY was last of the five finishes.

Previously STAR OF SCREEN (11-10) beaten a short head and a neck behind General Chryson (10-1) at Chepstow (3m, £2524, good to soft, Nov 7, 7 ran).

LEWESDON PRINCE (11-5) ran well on reappearance at Newbury, going down by 1l to Incalmelo (11-10) (3m, £3179, good, Nov 4, 9 ran) with QUEENSWAY BOY, tailed off and pulled up, has shown no sign of form this season.

COURSE HUNTER (10-13) creditable 3l 2nd to Yahoo (11-7) at Newbury (3m, £3954, soft, Nov 11, 10 ran).

TARCONEY (11-1) ran on well for 3l Sandown victory over Spartan Orient (10-0) (3m 118yd, £3012, good to soft, Oct 31, 7 ran).

Selection: LEWESDON PRINCE

3.40 AURELIUS HURDLE (3-Y-O: £3,843: 2m) (8 runners)

601	1111	CALAPAEZ 21 (D,F,S) (R Ellis) Miss B Sanders 11-8	C Brown	99
603	11	SEA ISLAND 12 (D,G,S) (R Warren) M Pipe 11-3	P Scudamore	80
604		ESKIMO MITE (P Byrne) J Jenkins 11-1	S Sherwood	—
605		GLENGAR (Marketlink Ltd) W Musson 11-7	C Smith	—
606		HOLTERMANN (A Moralee) D Elsworth 11-1	R Arnott	—
608	44	PRISCILLIAN 7 (H Mould) D Nicholson 11-1	R Dunwoody	69
609		SEEK TO WIN (G Sware) Mrs N Smith 11-1	B Powell	—
610	0	TOUCHWOOD 17 (L Carpenter) J Edwards 11-1	T Morgan	—

BETTING: 8-11 Calapaez, 7-2 Sea Island, 5-1 Touchwood, 8-1 Eskimo Mite, 12-1 Holtermann, 14-1 others.

1986: SPROWSTON BOY 11-1 R Rowe (7-2) P Kelleway 10 ran

FORM CALAPAEZ (11-6) continued his unbeaten run with a 8l win over South Parade (11-0) at Sandown (2m, £2254, good to soft, Oct 31, 13 ran).

SEA ISLAND, a 2l Newbury winner on debut, up to form at Plumpton subsequently (2m, £743, soft, Nov 9, 16 ran) when (10-7) a 3l winner from Setter Country (10-2).

PRISCILLIAN (10-12) can improve on a 15l 4th to Dalhadi (11-1) in a competitive Cheltenham event last time (2m, £3252, soft, Nov 14, 9 ran).

ESKIMO MITE (9-0) finished 10l 3rd to Balabina (8-11) in a Newbury maiden on the Flat (1m 4f, £3392, good to firm, Aug 14, 11 ran) but was generally disappointing.

HOLTERMANN has the best Flat form - a (8-9) 5l 3rd to Celtic Ring (8-0) at Leicester (1m 2f, £3118, soft, Nov 2, 12 ran).

Selection: CALAPAEZ

Course specialists

TRAINERS

	Winners	Runners	Per cent
D Elsworth	13	86	19.7
F Walwyn	11	61	18.0
F Winter	21	140	15.0
N Henderson	12	83	14.5
J Jenkins	5	47	10.6
G Balding	6	57	10.5

JOCKEYS

	Winners	Rides	Per cent
K Mooney	7	32	21.9
C Brown	15	79	19.0
P Scudamore	25	143	17.5
B Powell	5	42	11.9
R Rowe	11	115	9.8

Only qualifiers

FOLKESTONE

Selections

By Mandarin

12.45 Dinny Walsh. 1.15 Kelly's Boy. 1.45 Privateperformance. 2.15 Castle Warden. 2.45 Vodkatini. 3.15 Goodman Point. 3.45 Colonial Charm.

Going: soft (hurdles); good to soft (chases)

12.45 SISSINGHURST NOVICES HURDLE (£811: 2m 6f) (18 runners)

1	1320	TOUKSHAD 31 (F) R O'Sullivan 4-11-12	M Kinane	
5	112/	ARDESEE 554 (G,S) D Wintle 7-11-0	Miss S Murgatroyd	
6		BEATING TIME R Voorspuy 5-11-0	M Furlong	
7	00-P	BISHOPRIC 59 C Bravery 5-11-0	Lorna Vincent	
8	0	BOTHRIN 17 R Gow 5-11-0	R Strange	
10		BUSTAMENTE C Holmes 4-11-0	K Barlo (4)	
12	0	CLEANING UP 37 D Gandolfo 5-11-0	E Wale	
17	0-0	DENSLADS 16 P Hedger 5-11-0	M Richards	
18	0	DINNY WALSH 16 J Edwards 5-11-0	H Davies	
21	0-P0	FIRST RANK 14 O Sherwood 4-11-0	C Cox	
23	0U-	MONKS IMAGE 215 R Akehurst 5-11-0		
26	/02-	OUTSIDE EDGE 231 (S) D Murray Smith 6-11-0	P Croucher	
33	00-0	SOUTHERNS 12 (G) J Gifford 5-11-0	Peter Hobbs	
35	4F-F	THE NIGELSTAN 9 P Hedger 5-11-0	M Perrett	
36	00-P	WEBPOOL 8 R Simpson 5-11-0	G McCourt	
37	0	WILLIAM ANTHONY 18 N Gaselee 5-11-0	A Adams (7)	
42	5-40	H AND X WAGER 43 D Gandolfo 6-10-9	M Williams	
43	0-0P	HUMBLE LADY 16 C Weedon 5-10-9	A Jones	

*9-4 Ardesee, 7-2 Toukshad, 5-

RUGBY UNION: SELECTORS WILL BE OUT IN FORCE WITH APPROACH OF DIVISIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL MATCHES

Time to impress as season reaches its first crossroads

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

The collective noun for a gathering of selectors — a choice, or a nomination perhaps — eludes me; but there will be a lot of them about this weekend on behalf of both England and the various divisions. Some will be at Worcester tomorrow where the leading players from the North, Midlands and South-West meet Geoff Cooke, the national team manager.

Those from the North and Midlands will be active today too, notably at Leicester, Coventry, Bedford and Otley. Both divisions have yet to join London and the South-West in announcing their squads, although in both cases they are virtually finalized.

Indeed, the Midlands will announce their team on Monday for their first game in the Toshiba divisional championship, against the South-West, at Bristol on December 5. A glance at the players named in the training squad of 52 for Worcester indicates how the selectors may be thinking.

However, there are some obvious gaps: centre and lock, for instance, which is a problem that exercises the North selectors too. In the North they have a wealth of talent in both areas and the problem is the appropriate combination. In the Midlands they are not so well blessed.

Hartley, of Nottingham, will probably be one centre, and I wonder how high Bates (Leicester) stands in the rankings as the other. Certainly a good game for his club against Simms in the Courage Clubs Championship first-division match with Wasps at Welford Road this afternoon will do him no harm.

That game, incidentally, should give an indication of the strength of Leicester's title challenge. They lie second at the moment, having won all four league games, and they need to win again because during December they must play Bristol and Gloucester (both at home) on divisional days — though, of course, the West Country clubs will doubtless be similarly affected.

Wasps have played only two league games, drawing the first with Bristol and winning the second — last weekend — against Bath. Simmons, their England B hooker, twisted a knee during that game but, though absent today, he should be fit for divisional duty. Last season Wasps deprived Leicester of a place in the John Player Special Cup final.

In the Midlands, too, there will be an interesting competition to play hooker: the choice is between Moore (Nottingham), the resident England hooker, and Roberts (Leicester). Both men had something of a confrontation in last weekend's club match and, had Moseley's Barbor been fit, his hat would have been in the ring too.

Peter Wheeler, with the benefit of 41 caps as England's hooker, believes that Roberts, born in Zambia but whose rugby education was in Zimbabwe and South Africa, has matured rapidly in English techniques.

Brain back

Steve Brain, capped 13 times by England, plays his first senior game of the season for Rugby against New Brighton at Webb Ellis Road today. Brain has been out of action for nine months.



On trial: Ian Bates, of Leicester, stands to benefit from a good showing against Wasps today

TODAY'S TEAM NEWS

Coventry v Bath
Coventry, shocked by heavy defeat against Northampton a week ago, field their strongest side for over a month, with Robbins restored at No. 8, Travers at flanker, Lakey and Thomas at half back. Bath play the XV who lost to Wasps.

Harlequins v Gloucester
Harlequins play Ackford at lock and restore Skinner to flank instead of Williams, the New Zealander. Gloucester, at strength save for the absence of the injured Mogg at centre (where Cummins plays), prefer Ashmead on the flank.

Leicester v Wasps
Wayne Richardson replaces Burnell at prop for Leicester, who have Evans back on the wing. Bowers, once a Leicester member, is at hooker for Wasps because Simmons is injured and David Richardson comes in at full back for the injured Stringer.

Bedford v Northampton
Both clubs have changes at flanker for this division-two match. Bedford have Keats back and Northampton's White is fit again after a knock during a county match and replaces Pask.

Richmond v L Scottish
Wholesale changes in the Richmond pack where Siegler and Cooper make up the second row, Ellery props and Edwards comes in at No. 8. Their co-tenants, London Scottish, have Richardsoe and Morrison in their back row and Glen restored to scrum half.

Rosslyn Park v Moseley
Park make changes on rota as well as for injuries, bringing Curtis and Mantel into their pack to rest players and Osborne and Henderson into the three-quarters for unavailability. Moseley play Denhardt, a lock, at loose-head prop.

London Irish v Waterloo
Unbeaten Waterloo will pose problems for Irish, though they have six internationals to put on the field. Gibson moves back to No. 8 and Spillane to the flank, while Hopley gets his first game on the right wing.

Blackh'th v Cambridge U
Shufflebottom, from Neath, comes in at stand-off for the students since Sutton is injured and Beard is preferred at full back. Hall, the Wales B centre, is available to partner Clough.

London Welsh v Bristol
Illness prevents Webb, the England full back, playing for Bristol who move David Thomas there and bring Wyles in at centre. Turner, who intends to return to Newbridge, is at stand-off for the Welsh who introduce Beg, a New Zealand colt, at hooker.

Saracens v Nottingham
With Buckton playing for Yorkshire, Saracens move Rudling to centre and bring back Holmes at stand-off. Low, a Canterbury B player, props and Kempster is at flanker against an unchanged Nottingham side.

Yorkshire bring in Burnhill

Mark Joyce, a member of the Northern divisional squad this season, has been forced to withdraw from the Yorkshire team who play Durham at Otley in the Toshiba county championship today (David Hands writes). Joyce, the Bradford and Bingley wing, is replaced by Steve Burnhill who finds himself in demand either as centre or wing as much for his county as for his club, Leicester.

It is a situation that Burnhill, who went as a centre with the England party to South Africa in 1984, does not particularly enjoy. He has played in that position only twice this season.

Yorkshire, the county champions, must now depend on Lancashire losing if they are to progress from their group. However, Gloucestershire will be assured of a semi-final place if they beat Cornwall at Kingsholm because they would be unbeaten in the south-west group. Brooks (Lydney) and Scott (Cheltenham) come into the side and Allen joins Cornwall's backs.

New event needs British support

By David Hands

Although the Masters club tournament, which was run in the south-west of France last December, failed to attract attention from Britain and Ireland, a new tournament planned for the start of next season is likely to prove more successful — if it receives the support of all four home unions.

The Welsh Rugby Union has already confirmed it will run a European club tournament, probably during the first fortnight of September 1988, although details of the scheme have yet to be inked in, notably concerning sponsorship and the precise tournament formula.

Live television coverage, however, is virtually assured from Harlech TV, whose thrustful coverage of rugby has proved so popular within the principality. They covered the Masters tournament (which brought together teams from all over the world rather than just Europe) and have offered detailed coverage this past year of games involving New Zealand, Australia, Argentina and Japan, as well as the decisive Ranfurly Shield contest between Auckland and Wellington.

The dates of the tournament must take account of England's structured season (which begins on the second Saturday of September) but it looks as though 16 clubs will be involved; four from Wales, who will also act as hosts, with the final at the Welsh National Stadium, possibly two from England and one from Scotland and Ireland.

Invitations would also go to France and the other leading FIRA countries; it is hoped the Soviet Union will be able to participate. It would be up to the other countries to determine their entrant, but in the case of England it would be reasonable to assume the league and cup winners would be proposed; in the case of Scotland, the league winners.

Turner goes back

Paul Turner, the London Welsh stand-off half, is rejoining his first club, Newbridge. Turner set up record points scoring totals for Newbridge

Instonians in need of victory

Instonians, the Ulster senior league champions, can forget about any title aspirations this season if they fail to collect two points from their home game against Bangor this afternoon (George Ace writes). On the present form of the Old Boys, that represents a difficult assignment.

Collegians will almost certainly be relegated if they fail to overcome CIYMS at Deramore and again the odds would appear to favour the away side. A cross-border match with a lot of appeal is the Ballymena versus Wanderers game at Eaton Park. Derek McAleese is out of the Ballymena through injury, Smith switches to outside half with Doyle in the centre and McKinstrey on the left wing for Gilbert.

● The Irish Rugby Football Union (IRFU) has given permission for Connacht to switch their senior Inter-Provincial game against Munster from Saturday, November 28 to the following day. The Under-20 game remains a Saturday fixture and both matches will be played at Galway Sports Ground.

HOCKEY

Hurst included in formidable St Albans side

By Sydney Friskin

John Hurst, the England and *Great Britain goalkeeper*, is in a strong St Albans side for their postponed second-round match against RAF Strike Command in the Hockey Association Cup on the Watford Leisure Centre's artificial pitch tomorrow.

St Albans have chosen *Boetius* and Shepherd as full backs, the Scottish international Cuthill, Wisher, and Port as half backs, with Ashby, Ferns, Rowley, Halliday and Hayward forming a resourceful attack.

The well-drilled RAF Strike Command make up in experience what they *lack in skill*, relying on seasoned campaigners, Padon in goal, Martin Old at full back and Clinton, the captain, at centre half.

Unless the weather improves, **Bowdon's** postponed second-round cup match against **Alderley Edge** tomorrow may not be played again. Their own grass pitch is in poor condition and heavy bookings on nearby artificial surfaces have not eased their problems. They are counting on a few experienced hands including Gallagher and Brogdon in attack, Goulty, an Oxford Blue, at centre half. Alderly Edge can at best boast a sound defence well held together by Sutton at centre half.

League competition continues today with St Albans, having lost both matches so far, hoping to get off the mark in the premier division of the Pizza Express London League at Richmond. Slough travel to Bromley expecting to displace Southgate at the top of the table.

Cambridge City, joint leaders with **Old Loughtonians** in the premier division of the Norwich Union East League face their first difficult task at home against **Westcliff**, who are still in the cup competition where they meet the winners of the game between Bowdon and Alderley Edge. The Westcliff side includes John French, who between 1969 and 1977 made 45 appearances for England. He also played 31 times for Britain and was a member of the 1972 Olympic team at Munich.

In the premier division of the McEwans Lager south league, **Old Tauntonians** who have a third-round cup match on November 29 against Richmond, are at home today to **Anchorians**, the only team with a 100 per cent record. The champions, **Indian Gymkhana**, second in the table, are away at **Canterbury**.

Welton and **Wakefield**, each *with a 100 per cent* record from six matches in the Tipp-Ex Yorkshire League, face moderate opposition today. Welton may however find York's solid defence difficult to penetrate. **Sheffield Bankers**, though they lost their last two matches, *should put up a stubborn* fight against Wakefield.

CORRECTION: The Home Countries women's indoor tournament takes place next weekend and not this weekend, as reported in our early editions yesterday.

BOXING

Christie awaiting European reward

By Srikumar Sen, Boxing Correspondent

After Lloyd Christie's first-round destruction of Chris Blake, of Croydon, on Wednesday at the Latchmere Leisure Centre, Battersea, it is to be hoped the British light-welterweight champion will be voted the No. 1 challenger by the European Boxing Union for Tek N'Kalenkete's European title. The No. 1 position is vacant as a result of the retirement of Patrizio Oliva, of Italy.

The secretary of the British Boxing Board of Control, John Morris, said yesterday: "We have already recommended him and we do think he is a very strong candidate. I think Christie is one of the hardest punchers pound for pound boxing in Britain today. It is very sad for Blake but he took some cracking shots."

It would be a fitting reward for Christie, who has worked six years on the European circuit as "*the opponent*" for Continental matchmakers and who has won the Lonsdale Belt outright.

Christie said yesterday: "I deserve a European title fight if for no other reason than I will have made very little money out of boxing for all my experience. If I could get a European title fight I want to try for a world title. If Terry Marsh can win it so can I. After all I drew with him — some people thought I won it."

Challenges have been thrown out by Britain's Tony Laing but Christie said: "I would knock him out and I don't want to fight him unless his people can come up with a lot of money. I have put a lot into boxing and not got enough money out of it. I want to fight N'Kalenkete." N'Kalenkete stopped Laing and gave Marsh a tough fight.

While Christie is waiting to hear from the EBU he intends to have a bout against a good *American*

GUIDE TO THE WEEKEND FIXTURES

3.0 unless stated

Barclays League

First division
Arsenal v Southampton
Charlton v Coventry
Liverpool v Norwich
Luton v Tottenham
Oxford v Watford
Portsmouth v Everton
QPR v Newcastle
West Ham v Nottingham F
Wimbledon v Manchester Utd

GM Vauxhall Conference

Altrincham v Wycombe
Bath v Kettering
Cheltenham v Barnet
Enfield v Stafford
Fisher v Macclesfield
Lincoln v Weymouth
Maidstone v Boston
Runcorn v Telford
Sutton Utd v Dagenham
Wealdstone v Kidderminster

FA TROPHY: Third qualifying round: Spennymoor v Whitley Bay; Whitby v North Shields, Newcastle Blue Star v Billingham Synthonia; South Bank v Gateshead; Boston v Southport; Bamber Bridge v South Liverpool; Morecambe v Barrow; Stalybridge v Frickley; Witton v Matlock, Stourbridge v Rhyl; Leek v Hyde; Redditch v Northwich Victoria; Caernarfon v Alfreton; Buxton v Gainsborough Trinity; Leyton-Wingate v Leytonstone/Ilford; Farnborough v Hitchin; Cambridge City v Stevenage Borough; Hampton v Crawley; *Grays v Welling (3.30); Worthing v* Chelmsford, Hendon v Woking; Marlow v Alvechurch; Dulwich Hamlet v Harrow Borough, Banbury v Barking; Tooting and Mitcham v Kingsbury; Ashford v Aylesbury; *Gloucester v Forest Green; Witney v* Wokingham, Slough v Saltash; Wateriooville v Windsor and Eton; Bridgend v Poole; Worcester v Merthyr Tydfil.

ESSEX SENIOR CUP: Second round (1.45): Burnham Ramblers v Bowers; Canvey Island v Maldon; Chelmsford v Stansted; Purfleet v East Ham.

Second division
Barnsley v Shrewsbury
Blackburn v C Palace
Bournemouth v Huddersfield
Hull v WBA
Ipswich v Oldham
Leeds v Swindon
Leicester v Bradford
Manchester C v Birmingham
Plymouth v Middlesbrough
Sheffield Utd v Reading
Stoke v Millwall

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Premier division: Bangor City v Horwich; Chorley v Goole; Marine v Oswestry; Worksop v *Workington. First division: Curzon Ashton* v Sutton Town; Droylesdan v Accrington Stanley. Eastwood Hanley v Penrith; Irlam v Fleetwood; Lancaster v Eastwood Hanley; Netherfield v Congleton; Radcliffe v *Harrogate Town. League Cup: Preliminary round, first leg:* Farsley v Winsford.

VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Premier division: Bognor v Croydon; Carshalton v Bishop's Stortford; St Albans v Bromley; *Yeovil v Basingstoke. First division:* Billericay v Chesham; Staines v Boreham Wood; Uxbridge v Oxford City; Walthamstow Avenue v Leatherhead; Walton and Hersham v Lewes; Wolverton v Wembley. *Second division north:* Aveley v Berkhamsted, Finchley v Collier Row; Harlow v Clapton; Hornchurch v Hemel Hempstead; Royston v Letchworth GC; Tilbury v Hertford; Tring v Saffron Walden; Vauxhall Motors v Ware; Wivenhoe v Haringey Borough. *Second division south:* Banstead v Southall; Egham v Camberley; Epsom and Ewell v Petersfield; Feltham v Newbury; Horsham v Dorking; Hungerford v Chalfont St Peter; Maidenhead United v Harefield; Metropolitan Police v Flackwell Heath; Molesey v Chertsey; Ruislip Manor v Eastbourne United; Whyteleafe v Yeading.

SUNDAY MIRROR COMBINATION: Chelsea v Oxford United (3.15); Reading v Arsenal (2.0); Southampton v West Ham (2.0); Tottenham v Fulham (2.0); Watford v Charlton.

CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Sheffield Wednesday v Manchester United (2.0).

Third division
Brentford v Wigan
Bristol C v Chester
Bury v Bristol R
Chesterfield v Sunderland
Grimsby v York
Mansfield v Brighton
Northampton v Gillingham
Notts Co v Walsall
Preston v Doncaster
Rotherham v Fulham
Southend v Aldershot

FA COUNTY YOUTH CUP: Second round: Bedfordshire v London (at Stotfold FC); East Riding v Sheffield and Hallamshire (at North Ferriby, 1.30); *North Riding v* Northumberland (at Stockton, 1.45).

SOUTH WEST COUNTIES YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP: Army Youth XI v Berks and Bucks Youth (at Military stadium, Aldershot, 2.0).

OTHER MATCH: Cambridge University v Loughborough University (at Fenner's, 2.0).

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier division: Bromsgrove v Shepshed; Burton v Bedworth; Fareham v Dorchester; Gosport v VS Rugby; Nuneaton v Leicester United; Willenhall v Dartford. *Midland division: Bridgnorth v Paget; Grantham v* Wellingborough; Halesowen v Elkston; Hednesford v Buckingham; Mile Oak v Sutton Coldfield; Moor Green v King's Lynn; Rushden v Atherstone; Trowbridge v Dudley. *Southern division:* Baldock v Andover; Burnham v Corinthian; Canterbury v Bury; Chatham v Folkestone; Dover v Erith and Belvedere; Hastings v Gravesend and Northfleet; Ruislip v Sheppey; Salisbury v Dunstable; Tonbridge v Hounslow.

ABACUS WELSH LEAGUE: National division (2.30): AFC Cardiff v Pembroke; Aberystwyth v Ebbw Vale; Barry v Llanelli; Blaenrhondda v Caerleon; Brecon v Port Talbot; Briton Ferry v Pontllanfraith; Haverfordwest v Cwmbran; Milford v Maesteg Park.

SMIRNOFF IRISH LEAGUE: Bangor v Ards; Cliftonville v Ballymena; Distillery v Glentoran; Larne v Glenavon; Linfield v Crusaders; Portadown v Newry.

Fourth division
Burnley v Bolton
Colchester v Wolverhampton
Crewe v Scunthorpe
Exeter v Stockport
Hartlepool v Tranmere
Newport v Cardiff
Scarborough v Halifax
Swansea v Peterborough
Torquay v Hereford
Wrexham v Carlisle

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier division: Bideford v Liskeard; Bristol Manor Farm v Torrington; Chippenham v Mangotsfield; Clandown v Swanage and *Herston; Melksham v Paulton; Minehead v* Clevedon; Radstock v Exmouth; Weston-super-Mare v Barnstaple; Dawlish v Larkhall.

DRYBROUGHS NORTHERN LEAGUE: Third division: Blyth v Bishop Auckland (3.15); Chester-le-Street v Crook; Consett v Shildon; Easington v Ferryhill; Gretna v Ryhope CA.

NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE: Premier division (2.0): *Armthorpe Welfare* v Hallam; Belper v Emley (3.0); Brodsworth Town v Hatfield Main; Bngg v Grimethorpe MW; Denaby v Ossett Albion; Long Eaton v Guiseley; Pontefract *Collieries v Brodsworth Trinity (3.0);* Thackley v Harrogate Railway (3.0).

BASS NORTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE (2.15): Rsab Karcher Cup: Third round: Colwyn Bay v Great Harwood; Daisy Hill v Newcastle Town; Leyland Motors v Chadderton (3.15); Oldham Town v Prescot Cables; Warrington v Rossendale. *First division:* Atherton LR v Clitheroe; Burscough v Skelmersdale *(3.0); Darwen v Colne; Ellesmere* Port/Neston v St Helens; Kirkby v Formby.

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE (11.0): First division: Cambridge v Arsenal; Fulham v Charlton; Leyton Orient v *Gillingham; Norwich v Watford;* Southend v Millwall; Tottenham v Portsmouth; West Ham v Chelsea. *Second division:* Bournemouth v Bristol City; Colchester v Tottenham; Luton v Crystal Palace; Northampton v Brentford; Oxford v Bristol Rovers; Reading v Swindon; Southampton v Brighton.

ARTHUR DUNN CUP (2.15): Preliminary round: Old Foresters v Old Carthusians.

ARTHURIAN LEAGUE (2.30): Premier division: Old Chigwellians v Old Reptonians. First division: Old Bradfieldians v Lancing Old Boys; Citizens v Old Aldenhamians; Old Wellingtonians v Old Harrovians.

Fine Fare Scottish League
Premier division
Aberdeen v Motherwell
Celtic v Dunfermline
Dundee v Hibernian
Falkirk v Rangers
Hearts v St Mirren
Morton v Dundee Utd

First division
Airdrie v Raith
Clyde v Kilmarnock
Clydebank v Meadowbank
E Fife v Hamilton
Forfar v Partick
Queen of Sth v Dumbarton

Second division
Alloa v Albion
Berwick v Arbroath
Brechin v Stranraer
Cowdenbeath v Stirling
Queen's Park v Ayr
St Johnstone v E Stirling
Stenhsmuir v Montrose

HOCKEY

PIZZA EXPRESS LONDON LEAGUE: Premier division: Bromley v Slough; Richmond v St Albans. **League:** Blackheath v Hounslow; Cheam v Southgate; Hampstead v Spencer; Old Kingstonians v Surbiton; Reading v Beckenham; Teddington v Purley; Tulse Hill v Dulwich; Wimbledon v Mid Surrey; Weybridge Hawks v London University.

NORWICH UNION EAST LEAGUE: Premier division: Bedford v Colchester; Bishop's Stortford v Peterborough Town; Bluearts v Broxbourne; Bury St Edmunds v Ford; Cambridge City v Westcliff; Harleston Magpies v West Herts; Ipswich v Chelmsford; Norfolk Wanderers v Old Loughtonians.

McEWAN'S LAGER SOUTH LEAGUE: Premier division: Amersham v Lewes; Canterbury v Indian Gymkhana; Eastcote v Tunbridge Wells; East Grinstead v Bognor; Gore Court v Oxford Hawks; Havant v Trojans; Old Tauntonians v Anchorians; Winchester v Fareham.

WILSON LEAGUE: First division: Bournville v Olton and West Warwickshire; Cannock v Bloxwich; Chesterfield v Pickwick; Derby v Harborne; Khalsa v Coventry and North Warwickshire; Kidderminster v Wrestleigh; Stone v Wombourne; Stourport v South Nottingham.

WOMEN: County championship: East (at University of Essex, Colchester): Suffolk v Essex; Norfolk v Huntingdonshire; Kent v Hertfordshire; Lincolnshire v Suffolk; Cambridgeshire v Norfolk. **Midlands** (at Coventry): Northamptonshire v Staffordshire (9.15); Worcestershire v Shropshire (10.45); Nottinghamshire v Leicestershire *(10.00); Derbyshire v Bedfordshire* (12.15); Nottinghamshire v Northamptonshire (1.15); Leicestershire v Bedfordshire (2.45); Warwickshire v Shropshire (3.30); Derbyshire v Worcestershire (4.15). Other matches: Bedford CHE v Warwickshire (11.30), Staffordshire v Bedford CHE (2.0). **North** (at Silksworth): Durham v Lancashire (10.15); Cheshire v Cumbria (10.15); Northumberland v Manchester League (11.30); Yorkshire v Lancashire Central League (11.30); Durham v Lancashire Central League (1.45); Northumberland v Lancashire (1.45); Sheffield League v Cumbria (2.55). **South** (at Bisham Abbey): Middlesex v Surrey (10.0); Hampshire v Oxfordshire (1.0); Berkshire v Buckinghamshire (2.30). **West** (at Swindon): Devon v Gloucestershire (10.30); Herefordshire v Somerset (11.45); Wiltshire v Avon (1.15). Cornwall v Dorset (2.30).

BASKETBALL

CARLSBERG LEAGUE (8.0): Birmingham v Manchester United; BCP London v *Caledonia: Oldham* v Bolton and Bury.

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Men (8.0): Cardiff v Plymouth. Ellesmere Port v Aberdare; Market Harborough v Gateshead, Stevenage v Tower Hamlets. **First division women:** Crystal Palace v Sheffield (5.0); Stockport v Kingston (8.0).

RUGBY LEAGUE

JOHN PLAYER SPECIAL TROPHY: Second round: Wigan v Castleford (2.15).

SLALOM LAGER NATIONAL AMATEUR LEAGUE: Millom v Wigan St Patrick's; Pilkington v Dudley Hill; Woolston v Egremont.

RUGBY UNION

TOSHIBA COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP (2.30)
Berkshire v Buckinghamshire (at Reading)
Cheshire v Cumbria (at Wilmslow)
Gloucestershire v Cornwall (at Kingsholm)
Northumberland v Lancashire (at Gosforth county ground)
Oxfordshire v Dorset and Wiltshire (at Banbury)
Somerset v Devon (at Bath, 2.45)
Yorkshire v Durham (at Otley)

COURAGE CLUBS *CHAMPIONSHIP (2.30)*
First division
Coventry v Bath
Harlequins v Gloucester (at Stoop *Memorial ground)*
Leicester v Wasps (3.0)
Second division
Bedford v Northampton (3.0)
Richmond v L Scottish
Third division
Nuneaton v Morley

SCHWEPPES WELSH CUP
Third round (2.30)
Aberavon Quins v Mumbles
Bridgend Sports v Aberavon
Bynea v Bedwas
Carmarthen v Swansea Univ
Carmarthen Ath v Ystalyfera
Dunvant v Nelson
Ebbw Vale v Cwmbran (3.0)
Garndiffaith v Abercynon
Hartridge OB v Nantyffyllon
Hirwaun v Abercarn
Laugharne v Gilfach Goch
Llanelli v Abertillery (3.0)
Maesteg v Treorchy (3.0)
Neath v Seven Sisters (3.0)
Newbridge v Bryncoch
Newport v Llandovery (3.0)
Old Illtydians v St Peter's
Penarth v Llanharan
Pencoed v Tonyrefail
Pontarddulais v Barry
Pontypool v Cefnyngdd
Pontypridd v Glynneath (3.0)
Porthcawl v Penygraig
Rhymney v Bonymaen
S Glamorgan Inst v Bridgend (2.15)
S Wales Police v Wrexham
Tredegar v Glamorgan W (3.0)
Ynysybwl v Swansea (2.15)
Ystradgynlais v Cardiff (2.15)
Ystrad Rhondda v Newport Saracens
Vardre v Neath Ath

CLUB MATCHES (2.30)
Blackheath v Cambridge Univ
Gosforth v Morpeth (1.0)
Halifax v W Hartlepool
Headingley v Huddersfield
Hull and ER v Birmingham
Kendal v Roundhay
Lpool St Helens v Vale of Lune
L Irish v Waterloo
L Welsh v Bristol
Middlesbrough v Sheffield
Orrell v Harrogate
Plymouth v Esher (2.45)
Rosslyn Park v Moseley (2.45)
Rugby v New Brighton
Sale v Birkenhead Park (3.0)
Saracens v Nottingham
Wakefield v Bradford

McEWAN'S SCOTTISH LEAGUE
First division (2.30)
Ayr v Heriot's FP
Boroughmuir v Kilmarnock
Hawick v Kelso
Melrose v Glasgow Acad
Musselburgh v Selkirk
Stewart's Mel FP v Watsonians
W of Scotland v Edinburgh Acad

LONDON AND SOUTH EAST: Norfolk Cup: Quarter-finals: Beccles v Lowestoft and Yarmouth; Diss v Norwich; North Walsham v Holt; Wymondham v West Norfolk. **Suffolk Cup: Quarter-finals:** Ipswich YMCA v Colchester; Stowmarket v Thurston; Sudbury v Felixstowe; Woodbridge v Ipswich). **Bisley Office Equipment Southern Merit Table:** Guildford and Godalming v Mariow. **British Car Auctions Old Boys Merit Table:** Old Alleynians v Old Millhillians; Old Bealonians v Old Grammarians; Old Blues v Old Whitgiftians; KCS Old Boys v Old Emanuel. **Foster Beard Middlesex Merit Table:** Mill Hill v Ruislip; Sudbury Court v Centaurs; Twickenham v Civil Service. **Tandem Computers Seven Counties Merit Table:** Havant v Thurrock; Sidcup v Maidstone; Upper Clapton v St Mary's Hospital; Woodford v Sutton and Epsom. **Club matches:** Abbey v Camberley; Abingdon v REME; Alton v Esso; Askeans v Metropolitan Police; Aylesbury v Maidenhead; Bank of England v Chobham; Barclays Bank v Old Tiffinians; Barking v Wanstead; Barnet v Chingford; Beaconsfield v University Vandals; Bec Old Boys v Old Reigatians; Beckenham v *Midland Bank; Belsize Park* v Watford; Brighton v Tonbridge; Charlton Park v Dartfordians; Chelmsford v Saffron Walden; Cheshunt v Old Gaytonians; Chinnor v Bedford Athletic; Ealing v High *Wycombe; East Grinstead v Grasshoppers*; East London v Old Verulamians; Eastleigh v Crawley; Fullerians v Redingensians; Greenwich v Sittingbourne; Hackney v Old Tottonians; Harlow v *Old Westcliffians; Hemel Hempstead* v Tabard; Hendon v Old Kingsburians; Horsham v Old Rutlishians; Lewes v Southend; Lloyds Bank v Old Mid-Whitgiftians; London Fire Brigade v Amlers; *Moderns v Castleford; Newbury v* Trojans; Newmarket v Bacavians; Old Albanians v Old Elizabethans; Old Beccehamians v Metropolitan Police D District; Old Brocklesians v *Erith; Old Cantabrigians v Shelford; Old Dunstonians* v Nat West Bank; Old Juddians v Gillingham Anchorians; Old Mid-Whitgiftians v John Fisher Old Boys; Old Walcountians v Mitcham; Old Wandsworthians v Old *Wimbledonians; Slough* v Harrow; Snowdown CW v Medway; Stockwood Park v Banbury; Streatham-Croydon v Henley; Swanage and Wareham v Isle of Wight; Tring v Old Ashmoleans; US Portsmouth v Guy's Hospital; University of Surrey v Rushmoor; Welwyn v Bishop's Stortford; Westcombe Park v Park House; Winchester v Windsor; Wimbledon v Roxeth Manor Old Boys; Wimborne v Basingstoke; Worthing v Southampton.

COURAGE CLUBS CHAMPIONSHIP: Surrey: First division: Old Guildfordians v Dorking.

MIDLANDS: Club matches: Aston Old Edwardians v Nuneaton XV; Barker's Butts v Leighton Buzzard; Belgrave v Aylestone St James; Birchfield v Aston University; Birmingham University v Bromsgrovex; Boston v Market Rasen; *Broad Street v Old Boswarthians; Clewe v* Luctonians; Congleton v Cannock; Davenport v Derby; Five Ways v Bridgnorth; Kettering v Solihull; Kidderminster v Droitwich; Kings Norton v Old Centrals; *Leamington v Hereford; Ludlow v Dudley* Kingswinford; Matlock v Chesterfield; Mellish v Loughborough; Moderns v Castleford; Newbold v Camp Hill; Notts Casuals v Coalville; Nottingham University v Newark; Old Longtonians v Redditch; *Old Moseleians v Earlsdon; Old Silhsians v* Old Saltleians; Old Yardleians v Stratford; Peterborough v Cambridge; Rugby Welsh v Atherstone; Shrewsbury v Old Leamingtonians; South Leicester v Old Wheatleyans; South Wigston v Trent Polytechnic; Spalding v Kibworth; Stoneygate v Rushden and Higham; Sutton Coldfield v Kenilworth; Veseyans v Keresley; Whitchurch v Chester; Wigston v Old *Laurentians; Yardley v Birmingham* Welsh.

NORTH: Yorkshire Silver Trophy: Quarter-finals: Bridlington v Ansebrouns; Knottingley v Sheffield Oaks; Whitby v Baildon; Wibsey v Old Otliensians. **Club matches:** Acklam v York RI; Aspull v Sedgley Park; Aspatria v Preston Grasshoppers; Barnsley v Hemsworth; Davenport v *Derby; Doncaster v Pontefract;* Driffield v Hessle; Hull and ER v Birmingham; Hull University v Hullensians; Kendal v Roundhay; Leigh v Mold; *Macclesfield v Littleborough, Malton and* Norton v Bradford Salem; *Manchester v* Widnes; Moortown v Ternbury; Old Brodleians v Pocklington; Old Crossleyans v Selby; Oldham v Mid Cheshire College; Old Hymerians v Thornensians; Ripon v Novocastrians; Rochdale v Ilkley; Rotherham v Paviors; Roundhegians v Northallerton; Sandbach v Manchester University; Scunthorpe v Beverley; Sheffield Tigers v Sheffield University; West *Park Bramhope v Bradford University;* Whitchurch v Chester; Wigan v West Park; Winnington Park v Warrington; York v Lincoln.

ULSTER: Senior league: Section one: Instonians v Bangor; Collegians v CIYMS. *Section two:* Academy v Queen's University; Armagh v Dungannon; Portadown v City of Derry. **Club games:** Ballymena v Wanderers; Ballynahinch v Ards; NIFC v *Malone.*

LACROSSE

BRINE NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division: Boardman and Eccles v Urmston; *Heaton Mersey v Sheffield University; Old* Waconians v Old Hulmeians; Sale v Cheadle; Stockport v Mellor.

ICE HOCKEY

HEINEKEN LEAGUE: Premier division: Fife Flyers v Dundee Rockets (7.15); Nottingham Panthers v Ayr Bruins (6.30); Streatham Redskins v Durham Wasps (5.45).

TABLE TENNIS

LEEDS COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP: Premier division (at St Neots club, Rivermead): Derbyshire v Essex; Lan*cashire v Berkshire; Middlesex v* Leicestershire; Surrey v Yorkshire (all at 2.0). *Berkshire v Derbyshire;* Essex v Middlesex; Leicestershire v Surrey; Yorkshire v Lancashire (all at 5.30).

OTHER SPORT

BADMINTON: Carlton Scottish open (at Edinburgh).

BOWLS: Scottish indoor singles championship (at Coatbridge).

FENCING: Ridley Martin Cup. Junior men's sabre (at de beaumont centre, West Kensington).

GYMNASTICS: Rhythmic International (at Wembley).

MOTOR SPORT: Lombard RAC rally scrutineering (at Chester).

NETBALL: Barons Lada *International:* England v West Indies first test (at Dewsbury, 7.30).

ORIENTEERING: Southern night badge event (at Cleeve Hill, Cheltenham).

RACKETS: Noel Bruce Cup: Public Schools Old Boys championship: Semi-finals (at *Queen's Club,* West Kensington).

SNOOKER: Tennents UK championship (at Preston).

SQUASH RACKETS: North of England open (at Prestwich, Manchester).

SWIMMING: Hewlett-Packard ASA National short course championships (at Ipswich).

TENNIS: Junior indoor championships (at Eastbourne).

TOMORROW

Barclays League

First division
Derby v Chelsea (3.05)

Third division
P Vale v Blackpool (12.0)

RUGBY UNION

GIROBANK KENT CUP: Second round: Askeans v Linton, Beckenham v Vigo; Bettershanger v Old Gravesendians; Erith v *Tunbridge Wells; Folkestone* v Dartfordians; Goldsmiths College v Blackheath, Gravesend v Midland Bank; Maidstone v Dover; Medway v Thanet Wanderers, Metropolitan Police (Hayes) v Old Beccehamians; Nat West Bank v Westcombe Park; New Ash Green v Old Judoans; Old Brocklesians v Old Dunstonians, Sheppey v Park House; Snowdown CW v Sidcup.

MIDDLESEX CUP: Second round: London Cornish v Osterley.

SURREY CUP: Second round: King's College Hospital v Old Wandsworthians; Raynes Park v Camberley.

BISLEY OFFICE EQUIPMENT SOUTH-*ERN MERIT TABLE: Reading v Bourne-* mouth.

COUNTY UNDER-21 MATCH: Hertfordshire v Eastern Counties (at Hertford RFC, 2.15)

REPRESENTATIVE UNDER-21 MATCHES (2.30): Middlesex v Army (at Osterley RFC). London Irish v RAF (at Sunbury).

ICE HOCKEY

HEINEKEN LEAGUE: Premier division: Dundee Rockers v Whitley Warriors (7.0); Durham Wasps v Nottingham Panthers *(6.30); Peterborough Pirates v Ayr Bruins* (6.30); Solihull Barons v Streatham Redskins (6.30).

HANDBALL

CITY OF LEICESTER TRIANGULAR TOURNAMENT: England v Scotland v Wales (12.0).

BRITISH LEAGUE (men): Ashford Tan*ners v Great Dane (at Stour centre, 12.0).*

HOCKEY

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP: Cambridge*shire v Bedfordshire (at Parkers Piece,* 2.15); Lincolnshire v Essex (at Long Sutton, 2.15).

COUNTY UNDER-21 CHAMPIONSHIP: Cambridgeshire v Bedfordshire (at Cambridge 1.15); *Lincolnshire v Essex (at* Long Sutton, 1.15).

HOCKEY ASSOCIATION CUP: Second round replays: Bowdon v Alderley Edge (1.30); St Albans v RAF Strike Command *(at Watford leisure centre, 1.30).*

WOMEN: County championship: East (at University of Essex, Colchester): Kent v Lincolnshire (10.0), Suffolk v Cambridgeshire (11.20); Essex v Hertfordshire (1.0); Hertfordshire v Norfolk (2.30); Kent v Cambridgeshire (4.0). **Midlands** (at Coventry): Leicestershire v Warwickshire (9.0); Northamptonshire v Worcester (9.45), Staffordshire v Nottinghamshire (11.15), Shropshire v Derbyshire (12.0), Other matches: Bedfordshire v Bedford CHE (10.30), North (at Silksworth): Sheffield League v Cheshire (10.15); Northumberland v Lancashire Central League (10.15); Durham v Manchester League (11.30); Lancashire v Yorkshire (11.30). South (at Bisham Abbey): Sussex v Hampshire (10.0); Sur

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Williams refuses to apologize for his reputation



Williams: misunderstood

There are names in life that are guaranteed to break the peace. Adolf Hitler is one, Steve Williams is another. I recently made the mistake during an interview with one mild-mannered London manager of asking him what he thought of Williams as a player. "Don't mention that name to me," he exploded. "I'll talk to you all day about the virtues of Paul Davis but not Steve Williams."

Never in my knowledge has admiration been more widely and grudgingly withheld for a player. It is a testimony to his notorious reputation as a moaner and a groaner that despite several compelling performances this season which George Graham, his Arsenal manager, has considered international quality, his name has never been mentioned in connection with England.

Even Williams' team-mates get fed up with him at times. Kenny Sansom, the Arsenal captain, remarked the other day: "I don't know how he gets away with it sometimes. He deserves to be in more trouble with referees than Viv Anderson and he is a moaner."

But friend and foe alike cannot deny that Williams is one hell of a player and above all he is a winner. As Sansom conceded: "If that's how Steve plays the game and it works for him and for Arsenal who am I to complain."

Graham admits that, at 29, Williams is too old to change his ways, and Graham is not too sure that he would want him to. "It's part and parcel of his game and the players and myself have just got to accept that," he said.

More than being unrepentant, Williams says, with an engaging honesty, that he thinks his attitude is perfect. His simple explanation is: "I love winning." He believes he is misunderstood and not just by team-mates.

"I've been out for an evening with people and they've said to my wife, 'I didn't think Steve would be as nice as that.' People believe too much about what they read in newspapers. One of the softest blokes I ever met was Joe Jordan, yet on the field he was a complete winner.

"I think I've got a great temperament. I don't go around kicking people. People look at me and think 'oh he's moaning again', but they forget I'm totally involved. Is wanting to win so much a crime? I'm sorry if I've upset people, I really am, after the game when I've won. I don't lose football matches. If I change, perhaps I would lose matches. My manager probably wouldn't want me to change, and I know Alan Ball wouldn't want me to change. He created me."

Williams is the good, the bad and the ugly all rolled into one. And for that we can thank — or blame — Ball. Money could not have bought the education that Williams got as a pupil at Southampton FC. In his 10 seasons at The Dell he saw more star acts than a page boy at the London Palladium. But he learnt most about winning from Ball, the archetypal competitor.

When Williams is not scheming the destruction of opposing defences he and his wife, Angie, are designing the building of their own "fortresses" in Southampton. "It's my release from football," he said.

"When I was on site the other day I saw the chief brickie push over a wall a young apprentice had built and tell him that he never wanted to see brickwork like that again. I thought it ain't no different to football. If ever I did it wrong at Southampton as a lad it was a clip round the earhole from Bally and ordered to do it again better."

Now it is Williams who raps the knuckles of the youngsters at Highbury, a little too smartly Graham thinks at times.

The turning point in Arsenal's recent success story can almost be traced back to September 13 last year, when an injury to Robson brought Williams in permanently from the cold where Don Howe had left him the previous April. "I couldn't understand it and I never will. How can you play someone like Paul Mariner in the centre of the park when I'm there.

Williams learnt early on from Ball that consistency is the only way to succeed. "He used to tell me if in 10 games you can play eight good, one average and one bad you're doing all right. I'd like to think throughout my career I haven't done too badly by those standards.

The team have now got a high level of consistency and you'll do very well to catch us on a bad day. Whenever the opposition got a draw at Southampton you could hear them singing in the bath afterwards, they were that delighted. That's how I like to think it's becoming at Highbury."

The difference is no one gets so much as even a draw against Arsenal these days, home or away. To date 14 consecutive teams have failed. Today Southampton try their luck, but Williams warns his former club to be bold. "Don't play for a draw because you won't get it."

Clive White

Arrival of Venables can come none too soon for Tottenham

By Clive White

As was feared when Tottenham Hotspur threw David Pleat overboard four weeks ago and replaced him in name only with Terry Venables, the London club finds itself sinking towards the bottom of the first division without a win in seven games.

There is every likelihood that that sinking feeling will continue awhile, even after Venables's arrival at the helm one week ahead of schedule next week. It will take time, even for someone of Venables's extraordinary powers, to raise the Tottenham ship from its present predicament.

With Venables hysteria mounting daily, Doug Livermore — who will be in temporary charge of Tottenham for the last time today, against Luton Town at Kenilworth Road — asked supporters to be patient once Venables arrives.

After the games today and next week against Liverpool, Venables could well find himself nearer the icy clutches of the second division than the warm embrace of a championship victory. Today they must attempt to grasp a life-line without the injured Claesen, who has been a permanent fixture for the past 10 games. Howells and Close are the obvious replacements but Tottenham may decide to revert back to their five-man midfield with just Clive Allen up front.

Good news for Venables is that Clemence and Waddle, two of Tottenham's lengthy absentees, will play for the reserves today at home to Fulham. Luton have been even harder hit by injuries but have coped rather better. They reached the Littlewoods Cup quarter-finals in midweek by winning at Ipswich without six first-team players. But Allinson, who was cup-tied, and Grimes and Weir, who were injured now return.

Wimbledon, one of three clubs who could overtake Tottenham today, restore Vinny Jones, who was disciplined for remarks he made about Kenny Dalglish in a newspaper article, against Manchester United at Plough Lane. His recall is well timed. He scored the only goal in the corresponding fixture last season before Wimbledon went on to win also at Old Trafford. Cork's short-lived equalizer at Oxford in midweek has earned him promotion from the bench, too.

Another of football's bad boys, Dennis, will be making a farewell appearance for Queen's Park Rangers at Loftus Road before he disappears on what sets out as a two-match ban but is likely to be considerably longer following the 11th dismissal of his career last Saturday. Mirandinha, the Brazilian, returns, not before time, to increase Newcastle United's punching power after a hamstring injury.

Arsenal and Liverpool look like keeping one step ahead of Rangers, at home to Southampton and Norwich City, respectively. Not that Southampton and Norwich will be without some impetus of their own. Southampton, who have won four of their last six games, have nothing to lose while Arsenal, on a run of 14 consecutive victories, have everything to lose. Norwich go to Anfield knowing that if Charlton Athletic beat injury-riddled Coventry City at home they will be bottom of the table unless they do what no other side has managed this season — beat Liverpool.

TODAY'S TEAM NEWS

Arsenal v Southampton
Arsenal are likely to be unchanged, though Williams did not train yesterday because of a migraine. Quinn and Winterburn have been added to the squad. Southampton are at full strength.

Charlton v Coventry
With Kilcline suffering a recurrence of ankle trouble, Coventry name a squad of 14 without an established central defender and with two reserve midfield players, Cook and Smith. Mackenzie returns in place of Mortimore for Charlton.

Liverpool v Norwich
Norwich choose from 13 with Putney back in the squad after injury. Liverpool will be unchanged.

Luton v Tottenham
Allinson, Grimes and Weir return for Luton after missing the Littlewoods Cup win at Ipswich, but Wilson, who has a hamstring strain, has joined Hill, Preece and Harford among the absentees. Tottenham are without Claesen because of injury; Howells or Close may take his place. Thomas returns to face his former club.

Oxford U v Watford
Blissett is included in Watford's squad of 14. Oxford are unchanged. Hill, formerly of Watford, will be a substitute.

Portsmouth v Everton
With three central defenders long-term injury victims, Mariner injured and Daish suspended, Portsmouth are forced to play Whitehead in the middle alongside Ball. Quinn partners Baird in attack because Connor has a knee injury. Everton will be without Steven, who has a hamstring injury. Harper must pass a fitness test on a leg injury.

QPR v Newcastle United
Rangers await fitness reports on Bannister (knee) and Byrne (hamstring) but are hopeful that both will play. Mirandinha has been declared fit after a hamstring injury and Darren Jackson, his partner, has a good chance of recovering from a thigh injury; Goddard is ruled out after an ankle operation. Roeder (back) and McCreery (thigh) are fit but Tinnion is out with a back injury.

West Ham v Nottm F
Hilton faces a test on a hamstring injury for West Ham, who are without Martin because of a foot operation. Stewart, who has been suffering from persistent headaches, is on stand-by. Brady is also doubtful with a back strain. Bonds, 41, may be asked to play again. Foster has recovered from a back injury to play in an unchanged Forest side. Gaynor, a £20,000 signing from Doncaster, could be one of the substitutes.

Wimbledon v Man Utd
United, without Davenport, Gibson, Garton and McGrath, may welcome back Moses after an absence of two months with an ankle injury. Moran has recovered from an ankle knock which kept him out against Bury. Wimbledon recall Cork and Jones, who both played as substitutes at Oxford, in place of Gannon and Hazel.

Tomorrow

Derby v Chelsea
Dixon, back in contention for Chelsea after a hamstring injury kept him out for five weeks, contests a forward place with Wilson. Hazard is a starter and Bumstead and Wegerle are in the squad.



Happy return: Mirandinha ready to play for Newcastle United after recovering from injury

Dalglish answers criticism

By Ian Ross

With great reluctance Kenny Dalglish, the Liverpool manager, yesterday entered the footballing propaganda war he has striven to avoid for so long. Dismayed by some of the comments attributed to his fellow managers and their players in recent weeks, Dalglish — a man who has always refused to speak in disparaging terms about an opponent — made a low-key, if thoughtful, attack on those who have sought to belittle the achievements of his side so far this season.

"I think that there has been a lot printed about Liverpool Football Club that has acted in an adverse manner towards us. That is disappointing because we have never asked for any favours," he said.

"I think that some people are using the Press; that is something I have got to learn. The Press has an influence on what people think. We feel it has rebounded on us. We don't expect, and don't want, any privileges.

"Our success this season has given a lot of people a great deal of pleasure, but you will always get someone upset or resentful about the fact that we have had praise and greater attendances. It has been educational for me. Maybe it is my fault. Perhaps I am just paying the price for not having the abilities other managers have in this area," he added.

● Eoin Hand, the former Republic of Ireland manager, has joined Huddersfield Town as assistant manager to Malcolm Macdonald. Hand, aged 41, was halfway through an 18-month contract as manager of Gassim, a Saudi Arabian club, but has left to take a two-year appointment with Huddersfield.

"I couldn't be more delighted because Eoin has a very strong character and has all the qualities I feel any progressive football club needs," Macdonald said. They played together for Lusitano, in Johannesburg, in 1975.

● Sunderland have transfer-listed David Corner, a central defender, and Dale White, a forward, at the players' request.

Livermore ready to step down

By Dennis Signy

Doug Livermore, the Welshman who has been picking the Tottenham Hotspur team pending the arrival of Terry Venables, will revert to his role of reserve team coach on Monday.

After announcing the squad for Luton, Livermore said: "It would be great to finish on a win. The spirit in the camp in the last few weeks has been terrific; they have responded to me. It has been an honour to be in charge of world-class players."

Livermore said that Keith Blunt and Keith Waldon, who had temporarily been promoted, would revert to their respective roles as youth team manager and coach. Osvaldo Ardiles, who has been helping with the coaching, will go back to being a player.

Looking ahead to the Venables era and next week's home game against Liverpool, Livermore said: "Everyone is going to expect him to come in and work wonders. People have to be patient until he gets his ideas across. I think Terry knows all about pressure. I think he will look forward to it."

Referring to the team under the former manager, David Pleat, Livermore said: "Last season five men in midfield worked very well. This season, with Glenn Hoddle going, he has been missed in that type of system."

No easy task for Glenavon at Inver Park

Budweiser are to sponsor a floodlit competition for Irish League clubs to the value of £12,000, it was announced in Belfast yesterday (George Ace writes). The competition starts next Friday.

Glenavon, the League pacesetters, face a stiff test when they make the journey this afternoon to Inver Park to meet second-placed Larne. Both teams are unbeaten, with Glenavon on nine points and Larne on seven, from three games played. Home advantage could sway the issue in what is certain to be a closely-contested affair.

Crusaders, still without points, are likely to stay that way after their cross-town trip to Linfield, while Glentoran are strongly fancied to win at Distillery.

JUDO

Bell finds her form with good timing

From Nicolas Soames
Essen

Diane Bell, the world light-middleweight champion, has not reached the final of a competition all year — not the most auspicious preparation for the defence of her title. But she dispelled any questions over her capabilities by looking every inch the champion as she steadily moved towards the final and a meeting with Lynn Roethke, of the United States.

She looked purposeful rather than nervous in her opening contest against Anne Marie Pepper, of Australia, and executed a classic ankle throw — the technique with which she won the title last year — for a seven-point score.

A constant stream of shoulder-throw attempts and sweeps against Mandy Clayton, of Canada, put Miss Bell, aged 24, well ahead, though the match was eventually settled on a penalty given in favour of the girl from Newcastle.

From then on, there were no easy fights. Lenka Sindlerova, of Czechoslovakia, had shown that she could throw well, but with superb tactical control Miss Bell went steaming ahead with attacks, negating every move her opponent attempted.

The fourth round was the real test. Noriko Mochida (Japan) had thrown Chita Gross, the European silver medal winner from The Netherlands, for ippon with uchimata, and clearly intended to do the same to the Briton.

With measured technical skill, Miss Bell totally confused her Japanese rival with her shoulder-throw attacks, and only advanced gymnastics prevented a score. Once Miss Bell was nearly swept off her feet, but with renewed concentration she returned to the attack and took the decision, and her place in the final.

At middleweight, Jane Morris, aged 18, the former European junior champion, had the misfortune to meet Brigitte Deydier, the three-times world champion, in the first round, but creditably lost only on decision. She then won her first repechage fight with a hold down, but lost on a koka to Chantal Han, of The Netherlands.

Deydier faces Alexandra Schreiber, of West Germany, the winner of the British Open, in the final.

CRICKET

Splendid effort by Hadlee

Perth (AP) — Richard Hadlee, the New Zealand fast bowler, yesterday dominated the Western Australian batsmen and served notice of his splendid form for the forthcoming Test series with a superb performance at the Waca ground. He bewildered the Western Australians and helped to rout the home side for 131 in 56.2 overs.

Western Australia was bundled out in two sessions as Hadlee subdued the batting line-up to finish with five for 37 in 16.2 overs.

He was assisted by a green and damp pitch — and by the promising, Danny Morrison, who took three for 33 in 13 overs. New Zealand ended the day at 66 for one, with Philip Horne on 23 and the nightwatchman, Ian Smith, yet to score.

The opener, Ken Rutherford, was out lunging forward to the leg-spinner, Steve Milosz, and offering a bat-pad catch to Mike Veletta at silly leg.

Hadlee, the scourge of the Australian batsmen in the Test series two seasons ago, when he took 33 wickets at an average of 12.15, proved conclusively that age has not dimmed his great skill. It was the 92nd time in his career that he had taken five or more wickets in a first-class innings.

Morrison, aged 20, enhanced his prospects of being chosen as Hadlee's new-ball partner in the Test series by finishing with three for 33.

● The pace bowler, Kevin Jarvis, aged 34, one of four players released by Kent at the end of last season, is to join Gloucestershire. Jarvis is to sign a two-year contract for the West Country club after he has undergone a minor knee operation next month. Jarvis, whose benefit season is drawing to a close, said: "I am looking forward to the new challenge and very grateful to have the chance to continue in first-class cricket."

BADMINTON

European title aim for Gilks

By a Special Correspondent

Gillian Gilks will begin her quest for a twelfth European title by returning to top class international competition in the world grand prix finals next year. Mrs Gilks and her partner, Martin Dew, failed to qualify but have accepted an invitation to replace the unavailable Gill Clark and Steen Fladberg in the mixed doubles final in Hong Kong in January.

Mrs Gilks, aged 37, has won every major honour in the game except a world title, but is now in semi-retirement from the international scene. Despite that she feels she can still play a part in England's challenge for the European title in Norway in April. "I am delighted to have the chance of going to Hong Kong. The experience will allow us to develop our partnership further with the European championships in mind," she said.

Mrs Gilks and Dew won a third successive European mixed title in Uppsala, Sweden, last year but they are no longer automatic choices for their country after reducing their number of appearances.

Paul Whetnall, the England manager, said: "I am pleased Gill is going to the grand prix finals which will be a fitting climax to her career. But Gill and Martin have to prove they are good enough to be selected for the European championship."

Dew was again unable to play in the Carlton Scottish open tournament with Mrs Gilks, who is partnering his fiancée, Charlotte Hattens, in the women's doubles, and the England junior Chris Hunt in the mixed doubles in Edinburgh.

The tournament produced an immediate surprise with the quiet exit of Ulf Johansson, the former triple Swedish champion, failed to survive his first round match against Henrik Svarrer, of Denmark.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Wigan put public to the test

By Keith Macklin

The loyalty or fickleness of the Wigan public will be demonstrated today when Wigan play Castleford in the attractive second-round tie of the John Player Special Trophy. Last Sunday the Wigan attendance slumped from its normal five figures to below 7,500 for the first-round tie against Sheffield Eagles.

If the attendance today is not at least 10,000, despite the fact that the match is being televised, Wigan officials may have to revise their opinions on the much-vaunted loyalty of their fans.

Wigan are in some danger of tasting defeat again today. Castleford always play well at Central Park, and are strengthened by the return of three key men in Kevin Beardmore, Ward and the Australian, Lindner.

Warrington, who squeezed through narrowly last weekend against Carlisle, appear to be overcoming their dreadful injury problems and are likely to have Holden, Roberts and Humphries back for the tough tie at home to Hull Kingston Rovers. Also returning, after suspension, is Drummond, the match-winning international winger.

St Helens appear to have a simple task at home to Mansfield Marksmen, but the Mansfield general manager, Dave Parker, warns that his team have lost only one of their last seven games, are playing confidently, and won against the odds at Runcorn last Sunday.

Another five-figure attendance should be registered at Headingley, where Leeds, after their fright at Whitehaven, entertain Halifax in a traditional West Yorkshire derby game which could go either way.

At least two second division sides will go through to the quarter-finals, with Oldham visiting Batley and Springfield Borough at home to Wakefield Trinity. In the remaining ties, Hull and Leigh should fight a close battle at The Boulevard, while Salford should have little trouble beating Dewsbury at The Willows.

TABLE TENNIS

All British players go through

From Richard Eaton
Karlsruhe

All five English players, representing Britain, managed the fine achievement of surviving their groups in the Olympic qualifying tournament here yesterday. Those who manage to do so again at the second stage of the tournament today and tomorrow will be sure of being among the first table tennis players to play in the Olympics.

England's best hope here, Carl Prean, nearly did not make it, however. The National Top 12 champion was two games to one down to a quicksilver teenager from Italy, Lorenzo Nannoni.

Prean, aged 20, from the Isle of Wight, is a fighter as well as a thinker. His forehand looped attack needed to be quicker, wider, or more unexpected if it were to get past the Italian's flashing blade. When that eventually happened, Nannoni also started to make unforced errors and Prean squeezed through 19-21, 21-18, 20-22, 21-14, 21-14.

Nannoni is coached by Cai Zhen-hua, a member of two Chinese world title-winning squads. The Sino-Austrian, Ding-Yi, had on Thursday beaten Prean and yesterday finished top of the group.

Alison Gordon, the former English national champion, is another battler and she came back from two games down against Barbara Wiltsche, of Austria, and fought off a recovery from two games by Sari Suomalainen, of Finland.

Fiona Elliott, the national champion, qualified by recovering from 16-19 in the fourth game to overcome Ana Godes, of Spain, while Lisa Lomas, the European bronze medal winner, only just made it by beating Vera Kottek, another Austrian, in five games.

It was all tough stuff for the women, in contrast to the serene progress made by Alan Cooke, England's only unbeaten player.

SWIMMING

Record a birthday bonus for Brew

By Roy Moor

Paul Brew, the Scot with Olympic ambitions who is now concentrating on swimming full time, celebrated his 22nd birthday yesterday by shattering the British record for 400 metres individual medley at the Hewlett-Packard national short-course championships in Ipswich.

Forcing his superiority over the final freestyle leg, he touched in 4min 19.83sec to lop almost two seconds off the Welshman Tony Day's previous British best.

Grant Robins, of Portsmouth North Sea, who edged into second place, also bettered the old British mark with 4min 21.60sec which gave him the satisfaction of improving Stephen Poulter's English record by 2.3sec.

It was Scotland to the fore again in the 200 metres breaststroke with Iain Campbell, back from four years studying in Miami, improving his overnight Scottish record to 1min 2.32sec and taking the title almost a body length ahead of his Beckenham club colleague, Murray Buswell.

Campbell shaved off his beard before entering the water for the final. "I was having a bit of difficulty getting my chin out of the water in the heats," he quipped.

The growing strength of the Beckenham club was in evidence once more as Mike Fibbens won the 200 metres freestyle in 1min 50.41sec, ahead of Jonathan Broughton, of Leeds, and the Tyneside British record-holder, Kevin Boyd. Mark Foster, from Southend, showed his annoyance at missing the final because of misjudging his pace in the heat by winning the "B" final in time a shade faster than Fibbens' — 1min 50.12sec.

BOWLS

Fun is over for Smillie

By David Rhys Jones

Steven Rankin, aged 25, from Auchinleck, beat Alastair Smillie, aged 36, from Prestwick, 21-19 in an all-Ayrshire semi-final at the CIS Scottish championships at Coatbridge yesterday.

Rankin, who has yet to play for Scotland, is a club colleague of Neil McGhee, last year's champion, and paraded precise drawing skills which could earn him a place as a lead in the national side.

Smillie, a happy, relaxed bowler, displayed cunning and patience, staying in the match doggedly for three hours with some determined drawing of his own.

Rankin led 8-6, 11-7, 13-9, 17-13 and 19-14, but had difficulty in nailing his opponent. Smillie, with a 2-3-1 spurt, levelled at 19-all, and it was a test of nerve over the last two ends. Two singles to Rankin sealed a tense match, when Smillie, for once, essayed a forcing shot and failed.

In the junior event, Angus Blair, the British outdoor champion, overwhelmed Alan Tindal, from Methil, 21 shots to four, and seems favourite to win his first national indoor title.

RESULTS: Men's singles: semi-final: S Rankin (Auchinleck) bt A Smiley (Prestwick), 21-19. Junior singles: semi-final: A Blair (Midlothian) bt A Tindal (East Fife), 21-4.

RACKETS

Seeds take up positions in semi-finals

The seeds take their forecast places in the Noel Bruce Cup semi-finals at Queen's Club this morning (William Stephens writes). The No. 1 seeds, Mark and Paul Nicholls, of Malvern, beat Jonathan and Adrian Spurling, of Tonbridge, the No. 4 seeds. Then the Harrovians, Charles Hue Williams and John Prenn, the No. 2 seeds, play James Male and Julian Snow, of Radley, seeded third.

Tonbridge defeated Eton III (David Pease and Mark Hue Williams), 15-6, 15-6, 0-15, 15-10, 18-17 on Thursday evening, although the newly-paired Etonians played straight and low, using the angles cleverly. Malvern beat Eton II (Thomas Brudenell and David Ruck-Keen), 15-2, 15-12, 15-7, 15-11.

FOR THE RECORD

BADMINTON

GLASGOW: International match: Scotland 2, Denmark 5. Individual scores (Scottish names first): Men's singles: A White lost to T Carlsen, 5-15, 3-15; K Middlemass lost to J Nierhoff, 0-15, 1-15. Women's singles: A Gibson lost to C Hattens, 7-11, 11-4, 6-11. Men's doubles: W Gilliland and D Travers br Carlsen and Nierhoff, 15-7, 15-1; White and Pringle bt Lund and M Gandrup, 15-11, 11-15, 15-3. Women's doubles: J Allen and E Allen lost to G Mogensen and Paulsen, 5-15, 3-15. Mixed doubles: W Gilliland and C Heathly lost to T Lund and G Paulsen, 13-18, 6-15.

BASKETBALL

CARLSBERG LEAGUE: Derby 57 (Tormer 18, Lascelles 14), Manchester United 80 (Dolan 21, Byrd 15); Birmingham 120, BCP London 107.
UNITED STATES: National Association (NBA): (Thursday's games): New Jersey Nets 109, New York Knicks 107; Houston Rockets 105, Cleveland Cavaliers 97; Milwaukee Bucks 117, Sacramento Kings 113.

RUGBY LEAGUE

SLALOM LAGER ALLIANCE LEAGUE: Bradford Northern 30, Oldham 10.

SQUASH RACKETS

ZURICH: Swiss Masters: Quarter-finals: C Dimmar (Aus) bt R Thorne (Aus), 9-2, 9-2, 6-9, 9-0; R Norman (NZ) bt C Robertson (Aus), 9-6, 9-6, 3-9, 9-3.

RACKETS

QUEEN'S CLUB: Noel Bruce Cup: Quarter-finals: Malvern I (M and P Nicholls) bt Eton II (T Brudenell and D Ruck-Keene) 15-2, 15-12, 15-7, 15-11.

NETBALL

TOUR MATCH: (at Hemel Hemstead): East Region 31, West Indies 58.

ICE HOCKEY

NORTH AMERICA: National League (NHL): (Thursday's games) Philadelphia Flyers 7, Los Angeles Kings 4, Vancouver Canucks 4, Detroit Red Wings 1; Minnesota North Stars 4, New York Rangers 3; OT Toronto Maple Leafs 3, St. Louis Blues 3; Calgary Flames 9, Quebec Nordiques 1.

SNOOKER

GREENE KING LEAGUE: Brixton 7, Plumstead 3; Brooksbys Hackney 3, Royal Surrey Morden 7; Camden 8, Rez Woolwich 2; Croydon New World 1, Potters Sreatham 9; Ealing 8, Embassy Walthamstowe 2; King Cross 8, Tottenham New World 1; Manor Park 8, Stockwell Corals 2; Rileys Elephant and Castle 9, Collingdale 1; Ron Gross Neasden 5, Executive Welling 5; Tally Ho North Finchley 3, Upton Park 7; Uxbridge 6, Archway 4; West Norwood 10 Dagenham New World 0 (wo).

CRICKET

SHEFFIELD SHIELD: (In Melbourne): Victoria 345 for four (Jones 191, Young 85 no) v Tasmania. (In Adelaide): South Australia 272 for five (Hookes 88, Hayman 60, Hilditch 56; Botham 3-47) v Queensland.

TENNIS

JOHANNESBURG: South African Open: Quarter-finals: G Muller (SA) bt H Lecomte (Fr), 6-4, 6-4, A Mansdorf (Isr) bt F Cancellotti (It) 0-6, 6-3, 6-3. Men's doubles: First round: C Limberger (Aus) and M Robertson (SA) bt N Broad and S Kruger (SA), 7-6, 6-2. Second round: K Curren and D Pate (US) bt B Baxter and K Jones (US), 6-4, 7-6.
BUENOS AIRES: Argentine Open: Second round: G Perez Roldan (Arg) bt A Mancini (Arg) 6-3, 6-0; G Garetto (Arg) bt J Frana (Arg) 6-4, 6-7, 6-3; J Aguilera (Sp) bt H Skoff (Austria) 6-1, 6-0, C Motta (Br) bt G Guerrero (Arg) 6-3, 6-3.
INGLEWOOD, California: Exhibition match: S Edberg (Swe) bt J Connors (US) 4-6, 6-4, 7-6.

SWIMMING

IPSWICH: Hewlett-Packard national short course championships: Finals: Men: 200m butterfly: 1, T Jones (City of Birmingham), 2:03.47; 2, I Wilson (Borough of Sunderland), 2:04.43; 3, P Shackley (York City), 2:04.81. 200m backstroke: 1, G Rogers (Portsmouth Northsea), 2:04.78; 2, K Boyd (Borough of South Tyneside), 2:05.35; 3, P Blake (Torquay Leander), 2:06.73. 1,500m freestyle: 1, T Day (City of Leeds), 15:12.98; 2, D Stacey (Beckenham), 15:17.10; 3, K Boyd, 15:24.14. 200m freestyle: 1, M Fibbens (Beckenham), 1:50.41; 2, J Broughton (City of Leeds), 1:50.97; 3, K Boyd (Borough of South Tyneside), 1:51.44. 100m breaststroke: 1, I Campbell (Beckenham), 1:02.32; 2, M Buswell (Beckenham), 1:03.48; 3, J Parrack (City of Leeds), 1:03.56. 400m individual medley: 1, P Brew (Kelly College), 4:19.83; 2, G Robbins (Portsmouth Northsea), 4:21.60; 3, A Roley (Gloucester City), 4:22.15.
Women: 400m freestyle: 1, J Croft (Wigan Wasps), 4:19.09; 2, G Stanley (Stockport Metro), 4:16.02; 3, K Mellor (Norwich Penguins), 4:16.79. 100m butterfly: 1, M Scarborough (Portsmouth Northsea), 1:01.95; 2, C Foot (Millfield), 1:02.83; 3, R Bowden (City of Southampton), 1:03.01. 200m breaststroke: 1, G Stanley, 2:33.88; 2, H Walsh (Millfield), 2:37.02; 3, S Smart (City of Chester), 2:38.37. 200m backstroke: 1, H Slatter (Kelly College), 2:16.37; 2, K Read (Stockport Metro), 2:18.54; 3, T Atkin (City of Lincoln), 2:20.85. 200m medley: 1, Z Long (Kelly College), 2:18.37; 2, S Smart (City of Chester), 2:20.15; 3, H Walsh (Millfield), 2:20.45. 800m freestyle: 1, K Mellor (Norwich Penguins), 8:37.17; 2, G Stanley (Stockport Metro), 8:48.74; 3, M Wiley (City of Derby), 8:53.13

GOLF

MIYAZAKI, Japan: Phoenix tournament: Second round: (Japanese unless 138: T Ueno, 135: H Makino, 136: C Stadler (US); K Uehara, 137: M Ozaki; D Ishii (US), 138: S Ballesteros (Sp).

Elton John sells Watford to Maxwell for £2m

By Clive White

Elton John last night announced his decision to resign as chairman of Watford Football Club, thereby ending a love affair with the club which goes back to his childhood. The British Printing and Communication Corporation, part of the Robert Maxwell empire, has bought out his interest for the same amount he is believed to have sunk into the club over the last 10 years – £2m.

It means that the Maxwell family now have a controlling interest in three clubs, Watford, Derby County, where Robert Maxwell himself is chairman, and Oxford United, where his son, Kevin, is chairman. The Football League are likely to look long and hard at this latest acquisition even though it does not appear to be break League regulations which state that no one can hold more than one directorship at any time.

John Holloran, a leading executive of BPCC, who are shirt sponsors of Derby, is expected to be appointed chairman. Odhams Sun Printers, part of the BPCC group, have large premises in Watford.

Graham Kelly, the League secretary, commented: "The Football League rules are clear that each club must be seperately owned. One person is not allowed to become involved in the administration or management of more than one club. I'll need to know in more detail the ownership situation at Watford and compare it with Derby and Oxford before committing the League's Management Committee intoo taking any form of action."

Kelly said of John's resignation. "It is very sad. In the past 10 years he has brought the right values to the club, as well as success, through hard work, financial generosity and his influence."

John, who has been chairman of Watford for 10 years, was known to have called a crisis meeting late on Thursday evening with Dave Bassett, his manager, and Eddie Plumley, the secretary, it was thought to discuss the position of his besieged manager. Now it appears the purpose was to announce his own withdrawal.

Rumours that John was considering selling his interest in the club were first heard last April in the week preceding Watford's FA Cup semi-final against Tottenham Hotspur. Graham Taylor, who was then manager, was known to be furious that such news should have been "leaked", apparently from the office of John's agent.

But due to pressure of work as a recording artist and stage performer he has found it more and more difficult to give sufficient time to the job. He has also been under pressure recently from inside and outside the club to dismiss Bassett, whom he appointed last summer to succeed Taylor.

The appointment, taken on a whim as many of John's were, was against the wishes of almost everyone on Watford's seven-man board save for John. Bassett has proved to be as impulsive as his chairman making sweeping changes to a team which finished ninth in the first division last season.

Bassett has found it virtually impossible to replace a legend like Taylor but his methods have not helped. He sold Bardsley (he admits a trifle too soon), Falco, Hill, Richardson and Sims while bringing in players of far less experience. The consequence has been that Watford have struggled and are nineteenth in the table with two victories in 14 games. In midweek they were knocked out of the Littlewoods Cup by Manchester City.

People close to the club felt that John would remain chairman of Watford at least until the result of a multi-million pound libel suit against *The Sun* newspaper for allegations about his private life. The stories are known to have soured John's affection for Britain

Taylor, now manager of Aston Villa, has revealed that the marvellous, intuitive relationship that he and John shared as manager and chairman for 10 years at Vicarage Road and which took the club from the fourth division to the first in four years had waned



End of a fine innings: Gooch, the man of the match, is stumped by Zulqarnain, Pakistan's wicketkeeper, after making 142

Big trouble brewing at FA

By Ian Stafford

A significant number of Football Association councillors yesterday voiced their opposition to the proposed £12 million FA Cup sponsorship deal with a major brewery company, and some are now intending to take action at the FA Council to block the controversial plan.

Many councillors, interviewed by *The Times*, are upset that the FA has opted for a brewery as its chief sponsor at a time when alcohol is considered to be a major factor in football hooliganism, and they are also alarmed at the way in which the sponsorship proposal was rushed through the FA Council early this week.

"I would be extremely disappointed if the FA Cup was to be sponsored by, of all things, a brewery," Chris Bullen, a councillor from the Cambridgeshire Football Association, said last night. "I am hoping and praying that, if the competition has to be sponsored, another company with a more agreeable product can match the brewer's offer.

"The whole image of the FA will diminish considerably if their plans go ahead. Mr Millichip announced last Monday that the FA could receive the largest ever sponsorship in sport, but refused to comment on what kind of sponsor he was negotiating with."

After no member of the 91-strong FA Council opposed the plans last Monday to seek a lucrative sponsorship deal for the FA Cup, the issue will now go before a special FA executive committee before the Council is asked to give its final approval at a further meeting, believed to be set for December 7.

But it is now clear that the Council gave their initial consent without knowing the true identity of the sponsor, believed to be Fosters. According to Bullen, the deal is now in considerable jeopardy. "Mr Millichip made it clear that if confidentiality was broken on this matter then the sponsorship would not take place. The Council still has the right to vote against the deal

Tim Stearn, from the Women's FA, echoed these sentiments. "Had we been told that a brewery was involved the Council would not have given the FA executive committee carte blanche to continue with the deal," he said. "The FA has gone down in my estimation."

Many councillors were prepared to comment on the possible sponsorship of the FA Cup but refused to allow *The Times* to reveal their names. "In essence we all agreed last Monday to something we knew nothing about," one such councillor said. "The problem is that few are prepared to speak out.

Only a few councillors spoke yesterday in favour of the FA's plans. "We need all the money we can get in football," Peter Swales, chairman of Manchester City, said.

● Derby County are poised to sign an immediate replacement for Bobby Davison, their forward who yesterday slipped through a legal loophole on his way to Leeds United. His £350,000 transfer to Elland Road was initially registered as a loan-signing so that Davison can make his debut for Leeds in today's home game with Swindon Town. The deal will then be signed and sealed next week.

Derby, themselves, may attempt a similar ploy if they can get their man in time for tomorrow's televised game with Chelsea

World title at stake for Finns

By Andrew Longmore

Juha Kankkunen and Markku Alen, both driving Lancias, will start the Lombard RAC rally in Chester tomorrow knowing that a win would make one of them world champion. Their rivalry, which has extended over the past two seasons, has intensified this year even though they are now team colleagues.

"I watch what Juha does; he watches me. It is a battle the whole time," says the popular Alen, who has finished second in the RAC for the last two years.

If neither of the two Finns finishes first or second, the title will go to the third works Lancia driver, Miki Biasion, of Italy. He leads the championship, but under Lancia's team arraangment of seven races for each driver, is not entered for the Lombard.

Russell Brookes, of Great Britain, who has put together his own deal with Lancia, and though he knows the terrain rather better than the car, will still have his best chance of victory in 19 years of trying.

In the absence of Timo Salonen, last year's winner, the factory Ford Sierra Cosworth of Stig Blomqvist should provide the main opposition. Ford had not planned to contest the RAC, but a fine second and third place in the Thousand Lakes Rally in August gave them new heart. If the weather stays fine, their chances will be improved.

The French Peugeot team withdrew from the world championships at the start of the season, but the British team have entered Calle Grundel and Louise Aitken-Walker in their two Peugeot 205s. Their battle with the talented Kenneth Eriksson, of Sweden, in a Volkswagen Golf, and Malcolm Wilson, of Britain, in one of the four GM Dealer Sport Opel Kadets, could prove one of the highlights of the event.

This year 165 drivers and their co-drivers, the highest entry for any rally in the world championships, will leave the start.

● Phil Collins, the British driver, will be competing in the event for charity. If he finishes in the top three in his Ford Sierra Cosworth he will earn £10,000 for Multiple Sclerosis and Children in Need. A top 10 finish would still mean £5,000 and as long as he completes the first day the charities will still get £2,000.

Another century to add to Gooch's collection

From John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent, Karachi

The second of England's three one-day internationals against Pakistan deserved a larger crowd than watched it. Perhaps 7,000 saw England win by 23 runs, Pakistan making 240 for eight in reply to England's 263 for six. England's victory gives them the three-match series.

The third and last match will be in Peshawar tomorrow, just far enough away from a number of recent air-raids on the refugee camps on the frontier to have been given the all-clear.

Having fielded out Gooch's sixth and highest hundred for England in one-day internationals, a composed and chanceless innings, Pakistan batted well enough to ruffle England's feathers just a little in the field.

Had the stroke to which Wasim Akram was out carried another yard or two and gone for six, Pakistan would have needed only 30 in 3.4 overs. Instead it held up into the breeze, and with a nicely taken catch Foster put an end to Pakistan's challenge.

With runs coming all day at a lively rate, there was enough enjoyable batting to boost, if not exactly to galvanize, a match which few had seemed to want. It is hoped that in Peshawar there will be a better turn-out. Their only World Cup fixture having been between England and Sri Lanka, this is their only chance of the season to see Pakistan.

The fact remains, though, that to have arranged a series of one-day games immediately following the World Cup was extraordinarily short-sighted. Maybe the Tests will benefit. At least they will make a change, and the players are looking forward to them.

Of the Pakistan side that beat England on the same ground a month ago, only four played yesterday, and one of those, Wasim Akram, had bowled only four overs when he went off with some strain or other. It was a lovely day for batting and there was an inevitability about Gooch's progress that was altogether reassuring. Nothing seems to bother him at the moment.

This was his tenth innings of the tour, all of them in one-day cricket, and when eventually he was bowled, trying to hit Qadir for six, they were worth 656 runs. I have never known him to be in more contented form, on or off the field.

Only when Qadir was bowling did wickets look much like being taken. For the moment even Gooch has good reason to respect Qadir. In their three jousts on the tour so far, Gooch has been out three times to him in 24 balls, although his dismissal yesterday proved nothing. Their duel is shaping up well for the forthcoming Test matches.

Gooch's best help yesterday came from Capel, who had a good match with ball as well as bat. Those who have said all along that he should have come for the World Cup could well be right.

He runs fast and well between the wickets and his three sixes yesterday, off successive balls from Shoaib, were fine, towering drives. For England's fourth wicket, Capel and Gooch added 109 in 13 overs. Broad had shared a useful opening partnership with Gooch, and Gatting was beginning to keep pace with Gooch when he was run out, going for a third run.

The only disappointment of England's innings was Fairbrother's failure. Pushing out at Salim Malik he was bowled between bat and pad.

By various means, Qadir, captaining Pakistan in the continuing absence of Miandad, had managed to bowl only 44 of the 45 stipulated overs when England's batting time (3hr 5min) expired. Pakistan, therefore, needed to score at exactly six runs an over from 44 overs to win, and with Rameez and Shoaib making 77 in 19 overs for the first wicket and Rameez and Malik 62 in 10 overs for the second, they were soon making a real stab at it.

Manzoor Elahi and Ejaz joined in; even Emburey was punished, and England, needing to move up a gear in the field, did so.

With Akram went Pakistan's last hope, Rameez having so run out of steam by then that his hundred eluded him. If "obstructing the field", his mode of dismissal, suggests unpleasantness, it was hardly so.

It was the last ball of the match, and merely out of mischief Rameez saved himself from being run out by intercepting with his bat a roll down the pitch from French.

Gooch's award as man of the match was his fourth of the tour. Poona, Jaipur, Bombay and Karachi; Port of Spain, Edgbaston, Old Trafford and Lord's . . . he is building up one of the great international collections.

SCOREBOARD FROM KARACHI

England won the toss

ENGLAND

		6s	4s	Mins	Balls
G A Gooch st Zulqarnain b Qadir	142	-	14	183	134
B C Broad c Elahi b Qadir	22	-	1	76	54
M W Gatting run out (Kamal)	21	-	1	48	27
N H Fairbrother b Zahid	2	-	-	5	7
D J Capel not out	50	3	3	61	40
J E Emburey c Elahi b Qadir	1	-	-	2	2
P A J DeFreitas b Kamal	1	-	-	1	1
N A Foster not out	5	-	1	4	2
Extras: (b 3, lb 9, w 6, nb 2)	20				
Total: (6 wkts, 44 overs)	263				

C W J Athey, B N French, E E Hemmings.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-70, 2-135, 3-140, 4-249, 5-251, 6-251.

BOWLING: Akram 4-1-9-0 (nb 1); Kamal 9-0-57-1 (w 3); Elahi 3-0-19-0 (w 1); Zahid 7-0-37-1 (w 2); Mujtaba 3-0-25-0; Qadir 8-0-30-3; Malik 5-0-32-0; Shoaib 5-0-42-0.

PAKISTAN

		6s	4s	Mins	Balls
Rameez Raja obstructed the field	9	-	6	189	122
Shoaib Mohammad run out (deflection Capel, bowler)	37	-	3	73	62
Salim Malik c Fairbrother b Foster	35	-	4	42	33
Manzoor Elahi run out (Foster, following through)	17	1	1	24	12
Abdul Qadir c Broad b Foster	0	-	-	1	1
Ejaz Ahmed c Athey b Emburey	26	-	4	17	17
Wasim Akram c Foster b Emburey	9	1	-	9	7
Asif Mujtaba b Capel	0	-	-	5	2
Zahid Ahmad not out	3	-	-	11	8
Extras: (lb 7, w 7)	14				
Total: (8 wkts, 44 overs)	240				

Zulqarnain, Mohsin Kamal.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-77, 2-138, 3-172, 4-172, 5-214, 6-228, 7-230, 8-240.

BOWLING: DeFreitas 9-1-35-0; Foster 9-0-47-2 (w 2); Capel 8-1-41-1; Hemmings 9-0-45-0 (w 1); Emburey 9-0-55-2 (w 4).

G A Gooch.

Khizar Hayyat and Mahboob Shah.

END COLUMN

Chinese can leave Britain standing

From David Miller
Guangzhau, Canton

Any doubt about the decision on who should host the Olympic Games of AD2000 dissolved here yesterday. With a minutely disciplined yet beautiful floor show, blending youthful gymnastics, music, choreography and humour, the Southern Chinese province of Guangdong delivered to the Olympic movement a visual petition which is undeniable.

There is no contest. If the People's Republic of China wish to stage the 27th Olympiad it would be an affront not to grant it to them. With a conception for which the only word was purity, Guangzhau, without assistance from the other 28 provinces, dazzled an international, though mainly Asian, audience at the opening of the sixth Chinese National Games.

As fireworks lit the night sky at the end of a two-hour performance, we forgot the drizzle and our damp suits and merely marvelled at the advance of the world's most populous nation, whose Olympic committee only re-entered the arena nine years ago. Some 14,000 children and adolescents had just made the opening ceremonies of Moscow and Los Angeles, each spectacular at the time, look respectively wooden and shallow. Some achievement.

China, one senses, has the population and resources to do almost anything it wishes. It just has to decide what are the priorities. The revelation of the past two days here, my second visit to China, has been the overwhelming mood of cheerfulness, optimism and slightly shy confidence.

Powerful influence of Hong Kong

Guangzhau, under the powerful influence of nearby Hong Kong, bristles with large hotels as up-to-the-minute as Manhattan: seemingly way in advance of Beijing with sophisticated communications technology. My hotel yesterday had, incidentally, some 28 receptionists at the front desk as immaculate in black and white uniform as prospective partners waiting to be auditioned for Fred Astaire.

Yet Beijing has 12 years in which to advance beyond this provincial city and outstrip even the sporting installations of Seoul for next summer's Olympic Games, and those being planned, for example, by Toronto.

It has been said that to see the best Chinese stadiums, you have to go to Africa, where 20 nations are enjoying Chinese benevolence, the most recent being Nairobi with the new stadium, which has just staged the African Games. At a cost of £90 million, Guangzhau has opened a stadium, swimming pool and indoor sports hall – the last word in refinement and make Birmingham's worthy effort look, as yet, a compromise.

The air-conditioned indoor hall has two electronic scoreboards, built in Britain, and seating fit for a theatre. The main stadium has the best of imported timing and track technology.

Breathtaking exhibition

Unless the British Government changes its attitude to sporting finance, Britain will soon be not merely out of the running, but not even at the starting gate as hosts for the major event. It is, as it is for China, a question of deciding on priorities.

The flash-card mosaics, first used so vividly at Moscow's opening ceremony in 1980, were yesterday developed to new dimensions by a team of 6,000 dominating one side of the stadium, to produce as a background to displays of the pitch some 25 representations of cultural scenes like some vast silk screen.

The most breathtaking exhibition, however, was by 1,000 primary school six-year-olds, whose tumbling, co-ordinated gymnastics were enchantingly youthful, yet demanded a disciplined memory which would have done credit to adults. It was as though centuries of creative instinct were condensed into those tiny limbs.

This was followed, floodlights turned out, by a ballet of illuminated lanterns that was like some magical Christmas pantomime. I am not sure how much sport can be said to help the world revolve, yet in one evening it was evident that Chinese youth has something to give that is precious and perhaps unique. I suspect they will teach us a lot in the coming years.

Graf the winner by a neck

From Linda Pentz
New York

Steffi Graf, of West Germany, was given assistance she scarcely needed in the quarter-finals of the million-dollar Virginia Slims singles championship at Madison Square Garden. Miss Graf, the top seed, was beating Helena Sukova, the No. 5 seed, 6-2, 2-0 when the Czechoslovak retired.

Miss Sukova had sought the help of the trainer at 5-2 down in the first set and took a five-minute injury break while her neck was manipulated. But the pain proved too much.

Miss Graf had battered Miss Sukova with her vicious forehand, dancing around her backhand to hit winners. Miss Sukova was later diagnosed has having a cervical spasm of the neck with pain in her left shoulder.

Miss Graf now faces an unseeded opponent, Sylvia Hanika, in the semi-finals. Miss Hanika, a compatriot of Miss Graf's, beat Raffaella Reggi, of Italy, 6-2, 4-6, 6-0.

The Italian played like a flickering candle, ready to ignite or die at any moment. Miss Reggi gave up the first set 6-2 on her seventh double fault but found the spark in the second set to hit backhand winners down the line.

Miss Hanika was taken unawares as Miss Reggi won the second set 6-4 but a series of winners earned Miss Hanika the third set.

Miss Reggi's 11 double faults ultimately cost her the chance of victory. "When I go on court I think I can't serve," Miss Reggi said.

QUARTER-FINALS: S Hanika (WG) bt R Reggi (It) 6-2, 4-6, 6-0; S Graf (WG) bt H Sukova (Cz), 6-2, 2-0 ret.



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SPORT IN BRIEF

Brundle to switch cars

The British driver, Martin Brundle, will not race for the West German Zakspeed Formula One motor racing team next season, Zakspeed said yesterday. The team said Brundle had decided to leave Formula One and drive for Jaguar in sports-car races.

Brundle, whose fifth place at Imola this season gained Zakspeed their only grand prix points to date, will be replaced by the Formula Three driver, Bernd Schneider, of West Germany.

County foes

The Welsh captain, Vivien Jones, and the England player, Sue McNamara, lead strong Middlesex and Surrey sides in the All-England Women's Lacrosse Senior Counties Tournament at Dunstable today.



Brundle: joins Jaguar

Ice defence

Joanne Conway, of Sunderland, flies in from her Colorado training camp to defend her British figure-skating title at Lee Valley from November 23 to 25. Her main challengers are Gina Fullerton, from Sunderland, and Fiona Ritchie, of Dundee.

British record

Simon Meade and his brakeman, Tom Leeson broke the British track record at Igls on their way to winning the first international B bobsleighing race of the season yesterday. Meade set a best time of 55.22sec on the opening run of the three-lauf race in which he had a winning time of 2min 46.90sec. Colin Harris and Ed Horler, in the No. 2 British bob, were eleventh, one place ahead of Bob West and Stuart Richards.

Crucial game

Great Britain women's rugby team will step out onto Richmond Athletic ground tomorrow afternoon looking for their first victory in the international arena when they face The Netherlands. The majority of the team is drawn from the two London clubs, Wasps and Richmond.

Board talks of legal action

The British Boxing Board of Control is considering taking legal action against Mickey Duff, the London promoter, after he claimed on Wednesdaythat the board was no longer able to control the sport because it was scared of litigation (Srikumar Sen writes).

John Morris, the BBBC secretary, said yesterday that the board objected to Duff's assertion that he had never threatened litigation. "Duff has taken legal action against us," Morris said.

Duff's outburst came at a press conference to announce his show at Wembley on December 2, which clashes with a promotion by Frank Warren at the Albert Hall. The tenor of Duff's argument was that had the board been controlling boxing, the clash would not have been permitted.